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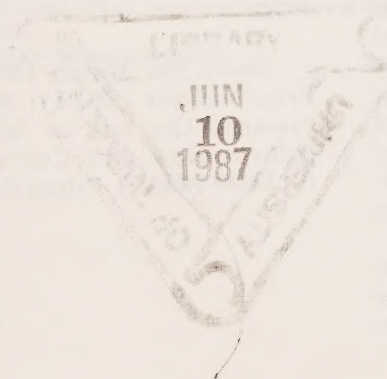
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Industrial Product Price Index

March 1986

Preliminary estimates show the Industrial Product Price Index (IPPI, 1981=100) stood at 119.9 in March 1986, down 0.4% from the revised level of 120.4 for February. The year-over-year advance, calculated by comparing the level for March 1986 with the level for March 1985, was 1.3%, the smallest 12-month movement since May 1971. The monthly change of -0.4% stemmed primarily from an estimated 5.7% drop in the prices of petroleum and coal products, which was the main stimulus for decreases in both intermediate and finished goods.

The first stage intermediate goods index edged up 0.1% in March, but remained 0.7% lower than in March 1985. The increase for the month was chiefly attributable to higher prices for aluminum products and copper and copper alloy products, largely offset by lower prices for petroleum and coal products. The primary copper products index rose by 3.1%, mostly as a result of a 3.2% jump in the prices of copper refinery shapes. The aluminum products index also gained 3.1%. According to preliminary estimates, the petroleum and coal products index plunged by 5.7% to a level 5.9% lower than a year earlier.

The second stage intermediate goods index was down 0.4% in March 1986, but remained 1.4% above its March 1985 level. The main factors in the index's monthly change were lower prices for petroleum and coal products, partly offset by higher prices for sugar, lumber and timber and other non-ferrous metal products. The refined sugar index increased by 7.1% to a level 17.5% higher than a year earlier. The lumber index jumped 8.0% in the month, primarily in response to an 8.2% increase in softwood lumber prices. The non-ferrous refinery shapes index was up 0.4% in March.

The finished foods and feeds index advanced 0.2% in March to a level 3.0% higher than in March 1985. The key factors in the

component index's movement for the month were price changes for meat products, dairy products, fruit and vegetable preparations, sugar and miscellaneous food products. The meat products index edged down 0.3%, chiefly owing to price decreases of 3.7% for chicken, 2.4% for cured meat and 0.7% for pork, partly offset by a 1.0% increase in beef prices. The processed dairy products index posted a 0.4% gain in March, mainly due to a 1.8% rise in the price of cheese not made from whole milk. The fruit preparations index dipped 2.1%, while the coffee, tea and preparations index climbed 4.5%.

The capital equipment index was unchanged in March, but remained 2.2% above the level recorded a year before.

The index for all other finished goods (personal expenditure excluding food, and public expenditure) dropped 1.5% in March, but was still 1.0% higher than in March 1985. This was largely attributable to lower prices for petroleum and coal products, manufactured tobacco and cigarettes, and motor vehicles. The manufactured tobacco and cigarettes index fell 0.8% in March, primarily as a result of a 0.8% decline in cigarette prices. The passenger cars, trucks and buses index edged down 0.2% in March, mainly because of the effect that a 0.5% rise in the Canadian dollar (or a 0.5% decrease in the U.S. dollar's exchange rate in Canadian currency) had on export prices. (see table on page 3)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1960-1967 and 1970.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, \$15/\$150), available towards the end of May. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Industrial Product Price Indexes

(1981 = 100)

Index	Relative importance ¹	Index March 1986 ²	% Change	
			March 1986/February 1986	March 1986/March 1985
Industrial product price index - Total	100.0	119.9	-0.4	1.3
Intermediate goods	61.6	115.9	-0.3	1.0
First stage intermediate goods	14.6	103.1	0.1	-0.7
Second stage intermediate goods	47.0	119.9	-0.4	1.4
Finished goods	38.4	126.3	-0.7	1.8
Finished foods and feeds	10.3	124.2	0.2	3.0
Capital equipment	10.2	126.6	-	2.2
All other finished goods	17.9	127.4	-1.5	1.0
Aggregation by commodities:				
Meat, fish and dairy products	7.7	115.7	-0.1	-0.1
Fruit, vegetable, feed, miscellaneous food products	7.0	116.3	0.4	2.6
Beverages	1.9	136.1	-0.1	5.6
Tobacco and tobacco products	0.7	138.5	-0.6	5.3
Rubber, leather, plastic fabric products	2.8	117.1	0.5	4.0
Textile products	2.4	110.6	0.1	0.6
Knitted products and clothing	2.4	115.6	0.1	1.5
Lumber, sawmill, other wood products	4.3	116.4	4.1	8.0
Furniture and fixtures	1.5	125.7	0.2	3.5
Paper and paper products	8.1	113.4	-0.2	-0.4
Printing and publishing	2.4	130.9	-0.2	2.8
Primary metal products	8.8	106.6	0.8	0.9
Metal fabricated products	5.3	120.6	0.2	3.0
Machinery and equipment	4.8	121.2	0.1	0.8
Autos, trucks, other transportation equipment	11.6	130.4	-0.1	2.3
Electrical and communication products	5.0	120.9	-0.1	1.8
Non-metallic mineral products	2.5	128.3	0.1	5.0
Petroleum and coal products ³	10.7	126.7	-5.7	-5.9
Chemical, chemical products	7.1	117.4	-	3.1
Miscellaneous manufactured products	2.3	124.5	0.3	5.6
Miscellaneous non-manufactured commodities	0.8	95.0	-0.2	1.7

¹ Weights are derived from the "Make" matrix of the 1981 Input/Output table.

² Indexes are preliminary.

³ This index is estimated for the current month.

- Nil.

Raw Materials Price Index

March 1986

The Raw Materials Price Index (RMPI, 1981=100) stood at a preliminary level of 95.3 in March 1986, down 9% from its revised February level of 104.7. Compared to March 1985 the RMPI was down 19.6%. The Raw Materials Price Index excluding the mineral fuels component increased 0.7% over the month and now stands at a level 1.4% higher than a year ago. Of the seven components making up the Raw Materials Price Index, four registered increases, two decreased and one showed no change between February and March 1986. The mineral fuels component index has dropped 37.8% since December 1985, accounting for almost all of the downward movement of the RMPI (-19.2%) in this time period. If this component were excluded from the calculation of the total RMPI, the index would have increased 1.7% when comparing March 1986 to December 1985.

The mineral fuels component (estimated from preliminary data) fell 20.2% in March 1986 to a level 38.2% lower than March 1985. The major factor for the lower index level was a 24.5% decrease in crude oil prices. The estimated crude oil index in March was 44% lower than its March 1985 level. These March estimates will be confirmed or revised with the release of the May 1986 data.

A 3.6% increase was registered for the non-ferrous metals component index in March. Copper prices were up 3.3% to a level 11.5% higher than a year earlier. Precious metal prices increased 3%, and are now 14.6% higher than in March 1985. The other base metals index climbed 7.9% during the month.

The vegetable products component index increased 1.2% in March, though this index remains 1.1% below its March 1985 level.

Unrefined sugar posted an increase of 18.7% and is now 32.7% higher than a year ago. The index for vegetables other than potatoes was up 1.6%; while carrots, onions and cabbages registered price decreases, these were more than offset by price increases for tomatoes and cucumbers. Higher apple prices were the major factor for a 3.1% increase in the fresh fruit index. These price increases were offset somewhat by decreases registered for grains, down 0.4%, and oilseeds, down 1.6%.

The animal and animal products component index decreased 0.5%, mainly because of a 5.2% drop in hog prices. The index for cattle and calves was up 1.7% in March, but was still 6.1% lower than its year-earlier level. (see table on page 5)

Available on CANSIM: matrix 1980.

Note to Users

A correction in the weights used to calculate the Raw Materials Price Index has caused changes to four indexes from January 1981 to February 1986. The series are total, total excluding mineral fuels, vegetable products and vegetable textile fibres. Link factors for the first three series have also been changed. The corrected data appear in the March issue of Industry Price Indexes, or are available from the Prices Division.

Order the March 1986 issue of Industry Price Indexes (62-011, \$15/\$150), available towards the end of May. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Raw Materials Price Index

(1981 = 100)

	Relative importance	Index March 1986 ¹	% Change	
			March 1986/ February 1986	March 1986/ March 1985
Raw materials total	100	95.3	-9.0	-19.6
Mineral fuels	45	85.9	-20.2	-38.2
Vegetable product	11	94.7	1.2	-1.1
Animal and animal products	20	108.9	-0.5	-0.7
Wood products	8	109.2	0.7	5.6
Ferrous materials	2	109.5	-	-1.4
Non-ferrous metals	11	90.0	3.6	5.1
Non-metallic minerals	3	126.7	0.1	2.7
Total excl. mineral fuels	55	103.2	0.7	1.4

¹ These indexes are preliminary.

- Nil.



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Electric Power Statistics

February 1986

Net generation of electricity in Canada in February 1986 increased by 7.3% to 41 407 gigawatt hours from 38 595 gigawatt hours a year earlier. Exports of electric power increased 17.4% to 2 986 gigawatt hours from 2 544 gigawatt hours and imports increased by 102.4% to 377 gigawatt hours from the February 1985 level of 186 gigawatt hours.

During 1986-to-date, the net generation of electricity totalled 86 921 gigawatt hours, up 5.3% from the January-February 1985 level of 82 575 gigawatt hours. Exports of electricity rose 19.8% to 6 646 gigawatt hours from 5 545 gigawatt hours and imports rose 31.6% to 519 gigawatt hours from 394 gigawatt hours.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3987-3999.

Order the February 1986 issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, \$8/\$80), available the third week of May. Contact: Dave Madsen (613-991-3565), Energy Section, Industry Division.

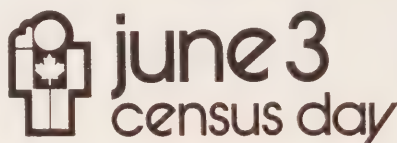
Gypsum Products

March 1986

Manufacturers shipped 22 173 585 square metres of plain gypsum wallboard in March 1986, up 15.3% from the 19 225 479 square metres shipped in the same month of the previous year and up 11.5% from the 19 893 820 square metres shipped in February 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 39 and 122 (series 11 and 12).

Order the March 1986 issue of *Gypsum Products* (44-003, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of May 5. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.



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Major Releases

Building Permits

February 1986

The seasonally adjusted value of building permits issued by Canadian municipalities in February 1986 increased 7.2% to \$1,928.2 million from \$1,799.3 million in January. This rise was the result of a significant gain recorded in the non-residential sector, combined with a moderate increase in the residential sector.

The seasonally adjusted value of residential permits continued to advance (+2.7%) in February to \$1,166.6 million from \$1,135.9 million in January. In spite of this slower growth on a month-to-month basis, the February 1986 level showed a 64.9% increase over February 1985. The strengthening of residential permits issued was due to increased building activity in the multi-family dwelling sector. Intentions remained at a high level in the single-family dwelling sector in spite of a slight drop recorded in February. On a seasonally adjusted basis, 19,116 units were approved in February (11,017 single-detached

and 8,099 multiple dwellings), up 12.3% from the 17,021 units authorized in January (11,416 single-detached and 5,605 multiple dwellings). In annual terms, these approvals represented 229,400 units in February and 204,300 units in January. The increase of residential building permits was widespread in all Canadian regions.

The seasonally adjusted value of non-residential projects in February rose to 761.6 million, up 14.8% from 663.4 million in January. The industrial component showed a sharp increase (+54.0%), followed by the public (+10.9%) and the commercial (+5.3%) components which registered more moderate gains.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 129, 137, 443, 989-991, 994, 995 and 4073.

Order the February 1986 issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, \$20/\$200), scheduled for release the third week of June. Contact Gaétan Lemay (613-990-9689), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division.

Building Permits Issued in Canada

(Millions of dollars)

	Unadjusted				Adjusted				% Change	
	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Jan. 1985	Feb. ¹ 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Jan. 1985	Feb. '86/ Jan. '86	Feb. '86/ Feb. '85
Residential	691.9	552.7	435.5	339.1	1,166.6	1,135.9	707.5	667.7	2.7	64.9
Industrial	102.0	60.6	48.5	99.8	169.5	110.1	78.9	174.2	54.0	114.8
Commercial	254.2	257.7	210.8	202.7	406.2	385.6	309.4	299.2	5.3	31.3
Institutional and governmental	138.3	127.1	134.3	133.1	185.9	167.7	172.8	166.7	10.9	7.6
Total	1,186.4	998.1	829.1	774.7	1,928.2	1,799.3	1,268.6	1,307.8	7.2	52.0

¹ Data include an estimate of late returns.

Estimates of Labour Income

February 1986

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1791 and 1792.

Labour income for the month of February 1986 was estimated at \$20,853.9 million, an increase of \$1,295.4 million or 6.6% from February 1985.

Adjusted for seasonal variation, wages and salaries decreased to \$19,326.4 million in February, down \$53.7 million from January 1986.

Order the January-March 1986 issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$15/\$60), available in July. Contact: Georgette Gauthier (613-990-9900), Labour Income Section, Labour Division.

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

(Millions of dollars)

	Feb. 1986 ^p	Jan. 1986 ^r	Dec. 1985 ^f	Feb. 1985
Unadjusted for seasonal variation				
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	107.1	107.1	150.3	99.4
Forestry	141.8	148.2	142.9	144.0
Mines, quarries and oil wells	558.7	567.9	560.7	525.8
Manufacturing industries	3,978.8	3,980.5	3,968.3	3,714.8
Construction industry	913.2	903.6	987.0	798.5
Transportation, communications and other utilities	2,107.6	2,126.4	2,109.0	2,025.7
Trade	2,348.1	2,373.2	2,464.3	2,187.8
Finance, insurance and real estate	1,475.5	1,486.6	1,486.2	1,358.5
Commercial and personal service	1,912.4	1,951.6	1,959.5	1,812.9
Education and related services	2,031.4	2,013.1	1,980.4	1,933.1
Health and welfare services	1,388.0	1,381.0	1,396.5	1,291.4
Federal administration and other government offices	750.7	744.7	744.4	737.6
Provincial administration	585.2	585.1	594.5	561.7
Local administration	474.4	480.7	491.5	442.6
Total wages and salaries	18,773.0	18,849.6	19,035.5	17,633.7
Supplementary labour income	2,081.0	2,088.8	2,076.7	1,924.8
Labour income	20,853.9	20,938.5	21,112.2	19,558.5
Adjusted for seasonal variation				
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	188.7	185.9	193.6	172.8
Forestry	161.0	171.2	159.6	160.5
Mines, quarries and oil wells	559.6	571.2	573.2	527.0
Manufacturing industries	4,047.2	4,069.8	4,119.0	3,781.3
Construction industry	1,073.7	1,066.8	1,101.9	950.8
Transportation, communications and other utilities	2,150.9	2,163.6	2,163.2	2,067.2
Trade	2,404.0	2,400.3	2,418.2	2,240.2
Finance, insurance and real estate	1,484.2	1,485.5	1,515.5	1,366.5
Commercial and personal service	1,989.8	2,019.2	2,024.6	1,874.6
Education and related services	1,957.3	1,953.7	1,916.3	1,859.4
Health and welfare services	1,400.8	1,404.2	1,415.9	1,302.4
Federal administration and other government offices	754.8	753.9	754.8	741.6
Provincial administration	607.5	618.4	603.6	581.4
Local administration	485.9	485.1	488.6	452.8
Total wages and salaries	19,326.4	19,380.1	19,362.7	18,135.6
Supplementary labour income	2,141.8	2,147.7	2,112.1	1,978.6
Labour income	21,468.2	21,527.8	21,474.9	20,114.2

^p Preliminary estimates.

^r Revised estimates.

^f Final estimates.

Data Availability Announcements

1984 Census of Manufactures

Industry	1980 SIC	CANSIM Matrix	Manufacturing shipments		% Change
			1983	1984	
			(Millions of dollars)		
1. Logging	0411	...	4,909.1	5,364.3	9.3
2. Canned and preserved fruit and vegetable	1031	5383	1,562.8	1,681.9	7.6
3. Plastic pipe and pipe fittings	1621	5415	340.9	386.4	13.4
4. Plastic film and sheeting	1631	5416	496.0	587.4	18.4
5. Household products and textile materials	1993	5435	481.2	500.1	3.9
6. Women's clothing contractors	2445	5449	188.3	217.6	15.6
7. Wooden door and window	2543	5465	633.6	693.6	9.5
8. Wooden household furniture	2611	5474	639.0	693.5	8.5
9. Upholstered household furniture-	2612	5475	445.7	509.6	14.3
10. Coated and treated paper	2791	5492	373.2	391.3	4.9
11. Stationery paper products	2792	5493	322.0	365.7	13.6
12. Newspaper, magazine and periodical	2841	5502	2,061.0	2,268.4	10.1
13. Iron foundries	2941	5509	591.7	762.0	28.8
14. Other rolled, cast and extruded non-ferrous metal products	2999	5514	636.9	801.7	25.8
15. Metal door and window	3031	5521	565.0	598.7	6.0
16. Metal dies, moulds and patterns	3062	5532	372.3	474.9	27.6
17. Heating equipment	3071	5535	379.0	356.4	-6.0
18. Machine shop	3081	5536	663.1	822.5	24.0
19. Agricultural implement	3111	5541	959.6	1,036.2	8.0
20. Construction and mining machinery and materials handling equipment	3192	5546	1,704.0	2,226.6	30.7
21. Turbine and mechanical power transmission equipment	3194	5546	389.6	547.5	40.5
22. Other machinery and equipment	3199	5547	1,963.5	2,194.4	11.8
23. Truck and bus body	3241	5551	285.0	316.9	11.2
24. Non-commercial trailer	3243	5553	166.9	253.5	51.9
25. Electrical transformers	3371	5580	468.9	544.9	16.2
26. Other electrical industrial equipment	3379	5582	524.0	582.6	11.2
27. Communications and energy wire and cable	3381	5583	1,031.4	1,229.7	19.2
28. Other concrete products	3549	6854	230.7	289.1	25.3
29. Other petroleum and coal products	3699	6868	144.5	142.5	-1.4
30. Plastic and synthetic resin	3731	6875	1,129.5	1,302.5	12.6
31. Pharmaceutical and medicine	3741	6876	1,661.9	1,839.8	10.7
32. Jewellery and precious metal	3921	6888	313.4	323.0	3.1

For further information telephone the Industry Division (613-990-9835).

A User's Guide to 1981 Census Data on Place of Birth, Citizenship and Immigration

In the 1981 Census, as in every decennial census of Canada since 1871, information was collected on the place of birth, citizenship and immigration characteristics of the Canadian population. This report was prepared for all users of these data. It describes the relationships among place of birth, citizenship and immigration, provides information on the processing of the data collected on the basis of these concepts, addresses the comparability of the statistics compiled in recent censuses and discusses data quality issues.

Order *A User's Guide to 1981 Census Data on Place of Birth, Citizenship and Immigration*, April 1986 (99-946, \$15), available today. Contact: Pamela White (613-991-2574) or Jane Badets (613-991-2561), Housing, Family and Social Statistics Division.

Exports of Major Grains

March 1986

Export clearances of the major grains during March 1986 were as follows (in thousands of tonnes):

● Total wheat,	617.4;
● Oats,	0.7;
● Barley,	388.4;
● Rye,	19.1;
● Flaxseed,	44.1;
● Canola (rapeseed),	126.3.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2650-2656.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release by May 27. Contact: Allister B. Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4, or Glenn Lennox (613-991-3860), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Ottawa.

Fruit and Vegetable Production

1985/86

Canadian processors intend to contract a total of 136,055 acres of vegetables in 1986, an 8% decrease from the 1985 level of 148,335 acres.

Mushroom production in Canada during 1985 was 53,461 tons, a 16% increase from the previous year's production.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1371, 1374-1380, 1383, 1385-1387, 1389, 1391, 1392, 1407, 5616, 5618, 5620, 5623, 5624 and 5627.

Order the May issue of *Fruit and Vegetable Production* (22-003, \$8/\$60), available in mid-May. Contact: A. Mathieson (613-991-3854), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Cement

March 1986

Manufacturers shipped 500 358 tonnes of cement during March 1986, up 4.5% from the 478 589 tonnes shipped in the same month in 1985 and up 5.7% from the 473 193 tonnes shipped in February 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 92 and 122 (series 13).

Order the March 1986 issue of *Cement* (44-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of May 12. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.

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Asphalt Roofing Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin	March 1986	April 10, 1986
Bag, Paper Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Bathroom Vanity Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Batteries, Electric Storage	February 1986	April 8, 1986
Battery Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Bindery Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Biscuit Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Board Industry, Building	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986



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Board Industry, Paper	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986
Board, Rigid Insulating	February 1986	April 8, 1986
Box Industry, Corrugated	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986
Box, Paper Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Box, Set-up Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Boxes, Corrugated	February 1986	April 3, 1986
	March 1986	April 29, 1986
Brake and Wheel Industry, Motor Vehicle	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Brewery Products Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Building Board Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986
Building Construction Activity, Leading Indicator	December 1985	April 23, 1986
Building Material Price Index: Non-residential	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Building Material Price Index: Residential	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Building Permits	January 1986	April 17, 1986
Buildings Industry, Prefabricated Wood	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Buildings, Pre-engineered Metal Industry (Except Portable)	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Canvas and Related Products Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Carbon Brushes	1985	April 4, 1986
Carpet Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Carton (Folding) and Set-up Box Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Caterers	February 1986	April 17, 1986
Cement	February 1986	April 8, 1986
Cheese, Process	February 1986	April 3, 1986
	March 1986	April 28, 1986
Chemical Industry, Agricultural	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Chemicals, Industrial	February 1986	April 17, 1986
Chocolate Confectionery	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Clay Products Industry (From Imported Clay)	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Cloth, Woven Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Clothing Contractors Industry, Men's and Boy's	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Clothing and Apparel Industries, Miscellaneous	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Coal Statistics	January 1986	April 9, 1986
Coat Industry, Men's and Boy's	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Coat and Jacket Industry, Women's	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Coated Fabric Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Coffee Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Coil Spring Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Coke Statistics	January 1986	April 9, 1986
Colleges, Full-time Enrolment	Fall 1985	April 25, 1986

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Commercial Trailer Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Commodities, Exports	February 1986	April 17, 1986
Commodities, Imports	February 1986	April 18, 1986
Composite Leading Indicator	January 1986	April 14, 1986
Compressor, Pump and Industrial Fan Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Concrete (Pre-cast), Price Indexes	Second Half 1985	April 23, 1986
Concrete Pipe Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Concrete Products Industry		
Structural	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Confectionery, Chocolate	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Construction Activity, Building, Leading Indicator	December 1985	April 23, 1986
Construction Building Material Price Index: Non-residential	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Construction Building Material Price Index: Residential	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Consumer Price Index	March 1986	April 18, 1986
Contract Textile Dyeing and Finishing Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Copper Rolling, Casting and Extruding Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act - Part 1 - Corporations	1983	April 15, 1986
Corporations, Industrial: Financial Statistics	Fourth Quarter 1985	April 7, 1986
Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers	February 1986	April 3, 1986
Crime Statistics	1985	April 30, 1986
Crushings, Oilseed	March 1986	April 22, 1986
Dairy Review	February 1986	April 8, 1986
Department Store Sales and Stocks	February 1986	April 18, 1986
Department Store Sales by Regions	February 1986	April 8, 1986
Diseases, Notifiable	Four-week Period Ending March 15, 1986	April 21, 1986
Distillery Products Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Dress Industry, Women's	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Drinks, Soft	March 1986	April 14, 1986
Dyeing, Textile Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Earnings, Hours and Employment	February 1986	April 29, 1986
Eggs, Production	February 1986	April 10, 1986
Electric Lamp (Bulb and Tube) Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Electric Lamps	March 1986	April 23, 1986
Electric Power Statistics	January 1986	April 4, 1986
Electric Utility Construction Price Indexes	1985	April 23, 1986
Electrical Products Industries (Other) n.e.s.	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Employment, Earnings and Hours	February 1986	April 29, 1986
Employment, Federal Government	Fourth Quarter 1985	April 22, 1986

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Employment, Local Government	Fourth Quarter 1985	April 23, 1986
Employment, Provincial and Territorial Government	Fourth Quarter 1985	April 22, 1986
Engine and Engine Parts Industry, Motor Vehicle	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Enrolment, Postsecondary Community Colleges, Full-time	Fall 1985	April 25, 1986
Expenditures, Family	1984	April 30, 1986
Export and Import Price Indexes	February 1986	April 10, 1986
Exports by Commodities	February 1986	April 17, 1986
Fabric Industry, Narrow	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Fabric, Coated Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Family Expenditures in Canada - Selected Cities	1984	April 30, 1986
Fan, Industrial	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Farm Cash Receipts	January-February 1986	April 11, 1986
Farm Prices of Agricultural Products, Index Numbers	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Farm Wages in Canada	February 15, 1986	April 3, 1986
Fastener, Industrial	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Fats	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Federal Expenditures on Science and Technology	1986-87	April 3, 1986
Financial Indexes, Selected	March 1986	April 21, 1986
Finishing Industry, Textile	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Fittings	February 1986	April 16, 1986
Fixtures, Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Floor Tile Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Footwear Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Footwear Statistics	February 1986	April 9, 1986
Fruit and Vegetable Stocks	April 1986	April 30, 1986
Fruit, Frozen and Vegetable Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Fruit, Stocks	March 3, 1986	April 1, 1986
Fur Goods Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Furniture Industry, Household (Other)	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Furniture Industry, Office (Metal)	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Furniture and Fixture Industry, Institutional	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Gas, Natural (Production)	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Gas, Natural (Sales)	December 1985	April 1, 1986
Glass Products Industry (except glass containers)	February 1986	April 21, 1986
Government, Federal Employment	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Government, Local Employment	Fourth Quarter 1985	April 22, 1986
Government, Provincial and Territorial Employment	Fourth Quarter 1985	April 23, 1986
Grain Marketing Situation Report	Fourth Quarter 1985	April 22, 1986
Grains, Deliveries	March 1986	April 11, 1986
	February 1986	April 7, 1986

Subject	Reference Period	Release Date
Grains, Deliveries of Major	March 1986	April 25, 1986
Grains, Exports of Major	February 1986	April 4, 1986
Gross Domestic Product	January 1986	April 4, 1986
Gross Domestic Product	February 1986	April 30, 1986
Gypsum Products Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986
Handbag Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Hardboard	February 1986	April 18, 1986
Hardwood Veneer Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Help-wanted Index	March 1986	April 10, 1986
Homicide Statistics, Canadian	1985	April 25, 1986
Honey in Alberta, Production and Value	1985	April 1, 1986
Honey in Quebec, Production and Value	1986	April 3, 1986
Hotel Furniture and Fixture Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Hours, Employment and Earnings	February 1986	April 29, 1986
Housing Price Index	February 1986	April 11, 1986
Housing Starts	February 1986	April 2, 1986
Housing Starts	March 1986	April 30, 1986
Import Price Index	February 1986	April 10, 1986
Imports by Commodities	February 1986	April 18, 1986
Imports, Merchandise Trade	1985	April 22, 1986
Income, Labour Estimates	January 1986	April 8, 1986
Industrial Corporations: Financial Statistics	Fourth Quarter 1985	April 7, 1986
Industrial Fan Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Industrial Fastener Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Industrial Production	February 1986	April 30, 1986
Ingots, Steel	February 1986	April 16, 1986
Ingots, Steel	March 1986	April 15, 1986
Ingots, Steel	Week Ending March 29, 1986	April 3, 1986
Ingots, Steel	Week Ending April 5, 1986	April 9, 1986
Ingots, Steel	Week Ending April 12, 1986	April 17, 1986
Ingots, Steel	Week Ending April 19, 1986	April 23, 1986
Ingots, Steel	Week Ending April 26, 1986	April 30, 1986
Ink, Printing Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Instant Skim Milk Powder	February 1986	April 3, 1986
Instant Skim Milk Powder	March 1986	April 28, 1986
Institutional Furniture and Fixture Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Instruments, Musical Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986
Insulating Board, Rigid	March 1986	April 30, 1986
Insulating Materials, Non-metallic Minerals	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
International Seaborne Statistics	January-September 1985	April 3, 1986
Inventories in Manufacturing Industries	February 1986	April 23, 1986

Subject	Reference Period	Release Date
Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries	January 1986	April 4, 1986
Iron, Pig	March 1986	April 15, 1986
Jacket Industry, Women's	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Kitchen Cabinet (Wooden) Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Knitted Fabric (Broad) Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Labour Cost	1985	April 2, 1986
Labour Force Survey	March 1986	April 4, 1986
Labour Income, Estimates	January 1986	April 8, 1986
Laminate Sheet, Decorative	First Quarter 1986	April 22, 1986
Lamp and Shade Industry, Electric (Except Bulb and Tube)	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Lamp, Electric (Bulb and Tube) Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Lamps, Electric	March 1986	April 23, 1986
Leading Indicator of Building Construction Activity	December 1985	April 23, 1986
Leaf Tobacco Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Leather (Other) and Allied Products Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Lighting Fixture Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Linoleum Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Livestock Report - Pigs	April 1, 1986	April 28, 1986
Luggage Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Mat Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Meat Consumption	1985	April 16, 1986
Meat, Frozen (Stocks)	April 1, 1986	April 23, 1986
Metal Products Industry, Architectural	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Metal Products Industry, Custom Coating	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Metal Products Industry, Other Stamped and Pressed	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Metal Smelting and Refining Industries, Non-ferrous	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Metal Valve Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986
Milk Powder, Instant Skim	February 1986	April 3, 1986
	March 1986	April 28, 1986
Millwork (Other) Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Mineral Insulating Materials (Non-metallic) Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Mineral Products Industries, Non-metallic (n.e.c.)	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Mobile Home Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Motor Vehicle Sales, New	February 1986	April 9, 1986

Subject	Reference Period	Release Date
Motor Vehicle Steering and Suspension Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Motor Vehicle Wheel and Brake Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Musical Instruments Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986
Natural Gas Production	December 1985	April 1, 1986
Natural Gas Sales	February 1986	April 21, 1986
Non-residential Construction Building Material Price Index	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Oil Pipeline Transport	January 1986	April 4, 1986
Oils and Fats	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Oilseed Crushings	March 1986	April 22, 1986
Orders in Manufacturing Industries	February 1986	April 23, 1986
Orders, Manufacturing Industries	January 1986	April 4, 1986
Ornamental, Other	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Pants Industry, Men's and Boy's	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Paper Board Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986
Paper Box and Bag Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Paper Consumer Products Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986
Particleboard	February 1986	April 18, 1986
Performing Arts Companies	1984	April 16, 1986
Petroleum Products, Refined (Sales)	February 1986	April 21, 1986
Petroleum, Crude (Production)	December 1985	April 1, 1986
Phonograph Records	February 1986	April 11, 1986
Pig Iron	March 1986	April 15, 1986
Pigs - Livestock Report	April 1, 1986	April 28, 1986
Pipe, Concrete Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Pipe, Steel	February 1986	April 16, 1986
Plastic Products Industry, Foamed and Expanded	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Platemaking Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Plywood Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Plywood, Construction Type	February 1986	April 17, 1986
Population for Canada, The Provinces and Territories (Erratum)	January 1, 1986	April 9, 1986
Population for Canada, the Provinces and Territories	January 1, 1986	April 8, 1986
Postsecondary Enrolment of Community Colleges, Full-time	Fall 1985	April 25, 1986
Poultry Products, Stocks of Frozen	April 1, 1986	April 14, 1986
Powdered Milk, Instant Skim	March 1986	April 28, 1986
Power, Electric	January 1986	April 4, 1986
Pre-recorded Tapes	February 1986	April 11, 1986
Printing Ink Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Process Cheese	February 1986	April 3, 1986
Productivity Measures, Aggregate	1985	April 2, 1986

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Provincial and Territorial Government		
Employment	Fourth Quarter 1985	April 22, 1986
Pulp Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986
Pulpwood and Wood Residue	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Pump Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Purse Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Radio Receiver Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Railway Carloadings	March 1986	April 30, 1986
Railway Carloadings	10 Days Ending March 31, 1986	April 17, 1986
	Seven Days Ending April 7, 1986	April 21, 1986
	Seven Days Ending April 14, 1986	April 28, 1986
Record Player Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Recording, Sound Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986
Records, Phonograph	February 1986	April 11, 1986
Refined Petroleum Products, Sales	February 1986	April 21, 1986
Refrigeration Equipment Industry, Commercial	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Residential Building Material Price Index	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Residue, Wood	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Resins, Synthetic	February 1986	April 17, 1986
Restaurant Furniture and Fixture Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Restaurants	February 1986	April 17, 1986
Retail Trade	February 1986	April 16, 1986
Roofing Industry, Asphalt	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Roofing, Asphalt	February 1986	April 8, 1986
	March 1986	April 30, 1986
Rope, Wire Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Rubber Products, Other	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Rug Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Sawmills East of the Rockies	January 1986	April 8, 1986
	February 1986	April 29, 1986
Sawmills in British Columbia	February 1986	April 29, 1986
Science, Federal Expenditures	1986-87	April 3, 1986
Seaborne Statistics, International	January-September 1985	April 3, 1986
Security Transactions with Non-residents	February 1986	April 16, 1986
Shake Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Shingle and Shake Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Shipments in Manufacturing Industries	January 1986	April 4, 1986
	February 1986	April 23, 1986
Shirt and Underwear Industry, Men's and Boy's	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Skim Milk Powder	February 1986	April 3, 1986
Soft Drinks Production	March 1986	April 14, 1986
Sound Recording Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986

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Sportswear Industry, Women's	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Spring, Coil Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Spun Yarn Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Steel Foundries Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986
Steel Ingots	February 1986	April 16, 1986
Steel Ingots	Week Ending March 29, 1986	April 3, 1986
	Week Ending April 5, 1986	April 9, 1986
	Week Ending April 12, 1986	April 17, 1986
	Week Ending April 19, 1986	April 23, 1986
	Week Ended April 26, 1986	April 30, 1986
Steel Ingots and Pig Iron	March 1986	April 15, 1986
Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings	February 1986	April 16, 1986
Steel Price Indexes, Structural	Fourth Quarter 1985	April 22, 1986
Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Steel, Rolled (Shipments)	February 1986	April 21, 1986
Store Sales, Department	February 1986	April 8, 1986
Sugar Sales	March 1986	April 11, 1986
Sugar and Chocolate Confectionery Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Tapes, Pre-recorded	February 1986	April 11, 1986
Taverns	February 1986	April 17, 1986
Tea and Coffee Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Technology, Federal Expenditures	1986-87	April 3, 1986
Telecommunications Statistics	Fourth Quarter 1985	April 15, 1986
Telephone Statistics	February 1986	April 15, 1986
Television Receiver Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Textile Dyeing and Finishing	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Tire, Tube and Other Rubber Products Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Tobacco Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Tobacco Products	March 1986	April 17, 1986
Tobacco Products Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Trade, Merchandise (Imports)	1985	April 22, 1986
Trade, Preliminary Statement of Canadian International	February 1986	April 10, 1986
Trade, Wholesale	February 1986	April 24, 1986
Trailer Industry, Commercial	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 17, 1986
Travel Between Canada and Other Countries	February 1986	April 7, 1986
Tube Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Tubing	February 1986	April 16, 1986
Typesetting Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Underwear Industry, Men's and Boy's	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Unemployment Insurance Statistics	February 1986	April 30, 1986

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Union Wage Rate Index	March 1986	April 21, 1986
Upholstery and Coil Spring Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Utility Construction (Electric) Price Indexes	1985	April 23, 1986
Valve, Metal Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 7, 1986
Vegetable Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Vegetable Oil Mills	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 4, 1986
Vegetable Stocks	April 1986	April 30, 1986
	March 3, 1986	April 1, 1986
Vehicle Sales, New Motor	February 1986	April 9, 1986
Vehicle Wheel and Brake Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Veneer, Hardwood Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Waferboard	February 1986	April 18, 1986
Wheel and Brake Industry, Motor Vehicle	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 18, 1986
Wholesale Trade	February 1986	April 24, 1986
Wire Products (Other) Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 24, 1986
Wire and Wire Rope Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 9, 1986
Wire, Steel and Products	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Wiring Assemblies Industry, Motor Vehicle	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 11, 1986
Wood Residue	February 1986	April 14, 1986
Wool, Mineral	March 1986	April 22, 1986
Work Patterns Survey, Annual	1985	April 16, 1986
Woven Cloth Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986
Wrappers	March 1986	April 29, 1986
Wrappers, Corrugated	February 1986	April 3, 1986
Yarn, Spun Industry	Census of Manufactures 1984	April 25, 1986

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Major Release

New Housing Price Index, March 1986

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- New housing prices increased 0.7% from February and 6.4% on a year-over-year basis

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Publications Released

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Help-wanted Index, 1985

The *Help-wanted Index* publication provides users with historical data and information on how this labour demand measure is constructed. The index (1981 = 100) is calculated from help-wanted advertisements placed by employers in the classified sections of 18 metropolitan area newspapers.

The report covers the period from 1962 to 1985. It shows monthly data (raw and seasonally adjusted) for Canada and the following five regions: the Atlantic provinces, Quebec, Ontario, the Prairie provinces and British Columbia. In addition, the publication features graphs which relate the Help-wanted Index to other labour market statistics such as the unemployment rate, the number of claims for unemployment insurance benefits received by Employment and Immigration Canada, and the United States help-wanted index.

Order the 1985 issue of the *Help-wanted Index* (71-204, \$10/\$11), available today from Publication Sales and Services (613-993-7276), or from any of Statistics Canada's regional reference centres.



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Major Release

New Housing Price Index

March 1986

The New Housing Price Index (1981=100) for Canada stood at 101.3 in March, up 0.7% from its February level of 100.6, continuing an upward movement which has now been evident for the last 10 months. This index of Canadian housing contractors' selling prices stands 6.4% higher than the year-earlier level of 95.2. Between February 1986 and March 1986, the estimated house only index increased 0.8% to 104.8, while the estimated land only index increased 0.3% to 95.7.

Between February 1986 and March 1986 the largest increase noted in the price index was for Toronto (1.4%), followed by Hamilton (1.2%), London (1.2%) and St. Catharines-Niagara (1.1%). Lesser gains were registered in Kitchener (0.9%), Saskatoon (0.9%), Calgary (0.8%), Winnipeg (0.6%), Quebec City (0.5%), Montreal (0.5%), Ottawa-Hull (0.3%), Victoria (0.3%), Edmonton (0.2%) and Saint John-Moncton (0.1%). Only St. John's reported a decrease in March (-0.1%).

Builders' selling prices continued to exhibit large 12-month increases in Southern Ontario cities due to strong demand for new houses, coupled with increased prices for materials and some shortages of skilled tradespersons. Significant yearly increases were recorded in Kitchener (16.4%), London (11.7%), Windsor (11.5%), Toronto (11.2%) and St. Catharines-Niagara (10.8%). Calgary also recorded a significant increase (10.6%). Increases were also noted for Hamilton (9.4%), Edmonton (8.4%), Montreal (5.9%), Quebec City (5.6%), Winnipeg (5.4%), Saskatoon (4.2%), Regina (3.6%), Saint John-Moncton (3.3%), Halifax (2.5%), St. John's (1.5%) and Ottawa-Hull (1.2%). Only in Victoria (-4.5%) and Vancouver (-1.2%) were new housing price indexes below the level recorded in March 1985.
(see table on page 3)

Available on CANSIM: matrix 198.

Order the first quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in May. Contact: the Prices Division (613-990-9601).

New Housing Price Indexes

(1981 = 100)

	Weights ¹ 1986	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	% change	
					Mar. '86/ Feb. '86	Mar. '86/ Mar. '85
Canada Total²	100.0	101.3	100.6	95.2	0.7	6.4
Canada						
(House only)		104.8	104.0	97.9	0.8	7.0
Canada						
(Land only)		95.7	95.4	90.8	0.3	5.4
St. John's	0.94	106.4	106.5	104.8	-0.1	1.5
Halifax	2.42	123.7	123.7	120.7	-	2.5
Saint John-Moncton	0.91	125.6	125.5	121.6	0.1	3.3
Quebec City	2.38	130.0	129.4	123.1	0.5	5.6
Montreal	9.97	128.7	128.1	121.5	0.5	5.9
Ottawa-Hull	6.26	128.4	128.0	126.9	0.3	1.2
Toronto	30.44	110.0	108.5	98.9	1.4	11.2
Hamilton	2.75	131.3	129.8	120.0	1.2	9.4
St. Catharines-Niagara	1.06	134.5	133.0	121.4	1.1	10.8
Kitchener	1.65	137.3	136.1	118.0	0.9	16.4
London	1.26	122.2	120.8	109.4	1.2	11.7
Windsor	0.49	112.5	112.5	100.9	-	11.5
Winnipeg	2.92	124.2	123.5	117.8	0.6	5.4
Regina	1.10	111.8	111.8	107.9	-	3.6
Saskatoon	1.50	104.1	103.2	99.9	0.9	4.2
Calgary	5.29	90.8	90.1	82.1	0.8	10.6
Edmonton	5.79	85.2	85.0	78.6	0.2	8.4
Vancouver	19.53	72.9	72.9	73.8	-	-1.2
Victoria	2.54	72.3	72.1	75.7	0.3	-4.5

¹ Surveys in Sudbury and Thunder Bay account for the remaining weight and are secured due to insufficient sample size. The survey has been discontinued in Prince George.

² It should be noted that the linking method and annually updated city weights are such that aggregate indexes cannot be considered as the direct average of their respective associated indexes. In exceptional cases this may cause the level of an aggregate index and its corresponding percentage change figures to fall slightly outside the range of those exhibited by the associated indexes.

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Data Availability Announcements

Coal and Coke Statistics

February 1986

Canadian production of coal totalled 4 659 kilotonnes in February 1986, down 7.5% from 5 035 kilotonnes a year earlier. Exports of coal increased 13.8% to 2 343 kilotonnes from 2 059 kilotonnes in February 1985, while no imports were reported. Coke production was 360 kilotonnes in February 1986, down 3.4% from the previous year.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 9.

Order the February 1986 issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, \$8/\$80), available the third week in May. Contact: Dave Madsen (613-990-9823), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Railway Carloadings

Seven Days Ending April 21, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the seven days ending April 21, 1986 totalled 4.9 million tonnes, a decrease of 0.6% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 15 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release the week of May 5. Contact: Wayne Reinhard (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

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Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas

Production, December 1985

Catalogue number 26-006

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Capacity Utilization Rates in

Canadian Manufacturing,

Fourth Quarter 1985

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(Canada: \$20/\$80; Other Countries: \$21/\$84)

Construction Type Plywood,

February 1986

Catalogue number 35-001

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Production and Shipments of Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings,

February 1986

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(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Gypsum Products, March 1986

Catalogue number 44-003

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Railway Carloadings,

7-day Period Ending April 14, 1986

Catalogue number 52-005

(Canada: \$75; Other Countries: \$100)

Financial Institutions: Financial Statistics, Fourth Quarter 1985

Catalogue number 61-006

(Canada: \$40/\$160; Other Countries:
\$41.50/\$166)

New Motor Vehicle Sales,

February 1986

Catalogue number 63-007

(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Merchandising Inventories,

January 1986

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- Manufacturers anticipate higher production levels in the second quarter of 1986

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- Prices increased 1.0% from February and showed a 12-month advance of 6.5%

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- The index increased 0.3% from February and 4.3% on a year-over-year basis

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Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries

April 1986

Canadian manufacturers reporting to the April 1986 Business Conditions Survey anticipate a net increase in production in the second quarter compared to the first quarter of 1986. Higher production is expected by manufacturers representing 40% of total respondents' shipments whereas only 14% predict lower production. However, a substantial proportion of the anticipated net increase in production between the first and second quarter probably reflects a seasonal pattern.

In the April survey, manufacturers representing 60% of total respondents' output reported little change in the receipt of new orders. Although the proportion indicating rising new orders (24%) exceeded the proportion citing declining new orders (17%),

this small net difference is again likely to be attributable to seasonal factors.

The backlog of unfilled orders was reported as normal by manufacturers representing 70% of total respondents' output.

Canadian manufacturers continue to remain cautious about inventory build-up with 96% indicating that their finished product inventory is about right or too high. (see table on page 3)

Note to Users

Users should note that the change from 1981 to 1982 census values for weights has resulted in some revisions to previously published results. As well, the January 1986 results have been revised to include responses received after the first release of those results.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2843-2845.

Contact: T. Newton (613-991-3554), Industry Division.

Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries

April 1986

All manufacturing industries	Apr. 1985	July 1985	Oct. 1985	Jan. 1986	Apr. 1986
percentage of weighted response					
Expected production					
Higher	34	23	30	21	40
Lower	15	28	22	31	14
About the same	52	49	48	47	46
New orders level					
Rising	28	26	26	19	24
Declining	16	18	21	15	17
About the same	56	56	53	66	60
Unfilled orders backlog					
Higher than normal	16	18	12	13	12
Lower than normal	22	20	18	18	17
About normal	62	62	70	69	70
Finished product inventory					
Too low	3	5	7	4	4
Too high	28	20	19	19	27
About right	69	75	74	77	69
Sources of production difficulties					
Working capital shortage	6	8	3	3	4
Skilled labour shortage	3	5	4	4	5
Unskilled labour shortage	0	0	1	0	0
Raw material shortage	4	5	3	3	4
Other difficulties	10	5	4	2	2
No difficulties	79	79	85	88	87

Construction Building Material Price Index: Residential

March 1986

The price index for residential construction building materials (1981 = 100) rose to 125.5 in March, up 1.0% from the revised February level of 124.3. This index now stands 6.5% higher than the year-earlier level of 117.8.

Between February and March 1986, increases were noted in three of the four components: structural materials increased 3.0%, followed by mechanical materials (0.8%) and architectural materials (0.2%). Electrical materials remained unchanged. The change in

the total index was mainly attributable to price increases for lumber and plywood.

Between March 1985 and March 1986, the largest year-over-year price increase was recorded for structural materials (10.3%), followed by architectural materials (6.4%) and mechanical materials (2.7%). Electrical materials decreased 0.2%.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 423.

Order the first quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in June 1986. Contact: the Information Service (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Construction Building Material Price Indexes: Residential (1981 = 100)

	Mar. '86	Feb. '86	Mar. '85	% change	
				Mar. '86/ Feb. '86	Mar. '86/ Mar. '85
Total materials	125.5	124.3	117.8	1.0	6.5
Architectural materials	125.1	124.8	117.6	0.2	6.4
Structural materials	128.6	124.8	116.6	3.0	10.3
Mechanical materials	125.0	124.0	121.7	0.8	2.7
Electrical materials	117.0	117.0	117.2	-	-0.2

- Nil.

Construction Building Material Price Index: Non-residential

March 1986

The non-residential construction building material price index (1981 = 100) rose to 123.1 in March, up 0.3% from the revised February level of 122.7. This index of non-residential building material prices now stands 4.3% higher than the year-ago level of 118.0.

Between February and March 1986, increases were noted in all of the four components. Structural materials increased 0.7%, followed by mechanical materials (0.3%), architectural materials (0.2%) and electrical materials (0.1%). The change in the total index

was mainly attributable to price increases for lumber, foamed and expanded plastics and plywood.

Between March 1985 and March 1986, structural materials increased 7.6%, followed by architectural materials (4.4%), mechanical materials (1.9%) and electrical materials (0.9%).

Available on CANSIM: matrix 423.

Order the first quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in June. Contact: the Information Service (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Construction Building Material Price Indexes: Non-residential (1981 = 100)

	Mar. '86	Feb. '86	Mar. '85	% change	
				Mar. '86/ Feb. '86	Mar. '86/ Mar. '85
Total materials	123.1	122.7	118.0	0.3	4.3
Architectural material	124.0	123.8	118.8	0.2	4.4
Structural materials	123.1	122.3	114.4	0.7	7.6
Mechanical materials	125.4	125.0	123.1	0.3	1.9
Electrical materials	117.3	117.2	116.3	0.1	0.9

Data Availability Announcements

Unemployment Insurance Statistics 1984

Employee unemployment insurance contributions for 1984 have been estimated at \$3,407 million (\$2,175 million for males and \$1,232 million for females), an increase of 10.8% from 1983. A total of 6.5 million males and 5.0 million females paid unemployment insurance premiums in 1984. Compared with the previous year, the increases in the number of contributors were 1.9% and 3.6% respectively.

Note to Users

Annual unemployment insurance statistics for the year 1984 are now available. The data provide unduplicated counts of contributors and beneficiaries, the number of benefit periods established and terminated, and employee contributions. The data are based on a 10% sample of records supplied by Employment and Immigration Canada.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5718, 5719, 5729 and 5730.

Data for the users 1978 to 1984 will be published in *Benefit Periods Established and Terminated Under the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-201, \$30), available in June. Contact: Horst Stiebert or Jean-Pierre Maynard (613-990-9900), Unemployment Insurance Statistics Section, Labour Division.

Coastwise Shipping Statistics 1985

Preliminary figures show total cargo handled in coastwise shipping during 1985 totalled 123 433 752 tonnes, a 10.2% drop from 1984.

Despite a 21.9% decrease, wheat remained the most important commodity in terms of total

tonnes handled, at 21 738 402 tonnes. Logs and bolts trailed closely with 20 510 838 tonnes, following a 15.1% increase over 1984.

The top seven commodities accounted for over 70% of the total tonnes loaded and unloaded in 1985. Tonnages (in thousands) for 1985 with revised 1984 figures in brackets, were as follows:

• Wheat	21 738	(27 825)
• Logs and bolts	20 511	(17 823)
• Fuel oil	12 085	(14 617)
• Iron ore, concentrates and scrap	10 160	(13 583)
• Limestone	8 647	(6 438)
• Pulpwood	8 126	(7 618)
• Gasoline	6 153	(6 578)

Order the 1985 issue of *Coastwise Shipping Statistics* (54-210, \$42), scheduled for release July 30. Contact: Gaston Levesque (613-990-8696), Marine Transport Unit, Transportation Division.

Apparent Consumption of Poultry and Eggs 1985

Apparent per capita consumption of poultry in 1985 was 25.1 kilograms compared to 23.7 kilograms in 1984. Apparent per capita consumption of eggs in 1985 was 17.6 dozen, down from 17.8 dozen in 1984.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1136 and 1137.

Order the 1985 issue of *Production of Poultry and Eggs* (23-202, \$30), scheduled for release June 10. Contact: P. Beerstecher (613-990-8716), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

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**Production, Shipments and Stocks on
Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies,**
January 1986

Catalogue number 35-002

(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Coal and Coke Statistics,
January 1986

Catalogue number 45-002

(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Imports by Commodities,
February 1986

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- Long-term visits to Canada by non-residents reached a record level for the third consecutive month

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Major Release

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries

March 1986

Total Travel

During March 1986, preliminary statistics indicate an estimated 2.1 million visits to Canada by United States residents, an increase of 10.6% from the same month in 1985. Visits by residents of other countries rose by 13.3% to 87,600 in March. The number of Canadian re-entries following visits to the United States totalled 3.4 million, an advance of 10.1% from March 1985 figures. Visits by Canadian residents returning from all other countries increased by 2.3% to 285,200.

Total international travel flows during the first three months of 1986 were as follows: 5.3 million trips by United States residents to Canada, a rise of 13.1% compared with 1985; 205,800 visits by residents from other countries, an increase of 9.1%; 8.1 million visits by Canadian residents returning from the United States, a gain of 3.4%, while trips by residents returning from other countries numbered 742,000 – an advance of 6.2% from 1985.

Estimation of Tourists

Preliminary data show that long-term tourist entries (by auto and bus for one night or longer and all entries by boat, plane and train) from the United States increased by 16.1% to 526,000 in March 1986, the highest March

level since 1972. Visits by residents of other countries – excluding those arriving by land via the United States and intending to stay less than 24 hours – numbered 80,400 visits, an advance of 11.6% from March 1985. Canadian tourist re-entries from the United States numbered 1.0 million in March, a 9.0% rise, while trips by residents returning from countries other than the United States increased by 2.3% to 285,200.

In the first quarter of 1986, tourist visits from the United States numbered 1.3 million, up 16.1% from 1985. Tourist trips from other countries increased by 9.1% to 192,400 during the same period. Canadian tourist re-entries from the United States numbered 2.3 million, an increase of 4.0% from a year earlier, while visits by residents returning from countries other than the United States grew by 6.2% to 742,000.

The accompanying table shows traveller entries and re-entries for March 1986 for total and long-term traffic as well as percentage changes from 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2661-2694.

Order the March 1986 issue of *International Travel – Advance Information* (66-001P, \$5/\$50), available mid-May. Contact: Paul L. Paradis (613-990-8933), International Travel Section, International and Financial Economics Division.

International Travel Between Canada and Other Countries

March 1986

Residence of travellers	Total trips				Long-term trips ¹			
	March		January-March		March		January-March	
	Number 1986	% Change From '85	Number 1986	% Change From '85	Number 1986	% Change From '85	Number 1986	% Change From '85
Non-residents								
All countries	2,213,195	10.7	5,549,048	12.9	606,356	15.5	1,495,514	15.2
United States	2,125,616	10.6	5,343,291	13.1	526,004	16.1	1,303,153	16.1
Other countries	87,579	13.3	205,757	9.1	80,352	11.6	192,361	9.1
Residents of Canada								
All countries	3,637,126	9.4	8,862,773	3.6	1,317,155	7.5	3,074,754	4.5
United States	3,351,913	10.1	8,120,793	3.4	1,031,942	9.0	2,332,774	4.0
Other countries	285,213	2.3	741,980	6.2	285,213	2.3	741,980	6.2

¹ Figures for the "United States" include auto and bus one or more nights and total plane, train and boat flows. Figures for "Other countries" exclude entries by land same day via the U.S.A.

Data Availability Announcements

Small Business in Canada

1981-1983

The number of smaller size businesses in Canada totalled an estimated 712,924 in 1983, up 0.02% from 695,784 businesses in 1981. Smaller size business operations continued to be heavily concentrated in three areas of industrial activity: 75% of them were in the construction, trade and service sectors. In terms of provincial distribution, 34% of smaller size business operations were located in Ontario (244,952 firms), followed by Quebec with 171,545 firms or 24% of the national total.

This information as well as information on revenues, profits, wages, equity and asset holdings of small business in Canada will be available in the publication *Small Business in Canada: A Statistical Profile, 1981-1983* (61-521, \$30), to be released within a few weeks. The information is currently available in machine readable form (for a fee of \$150). For further information contact: John Skelton (613-990-9046), User Services, Small Business Statistics.

Electrical Appliances

March 1986

Canadian electrical appliance firms produced 106,368 kitchen appliances, 33,479 household vacuum cleaners and 26,681 home comfort products during March 1986.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances* (43-003, \$4/\$40), to be released by May 14. Contact: Roger Laplante (613-990-9837), Industry Division.

Electric Storage Batteries

March 1986

Canadian storage battery manufacturers sold 166,075 automotive replacement batteries in March 1986, down 4.0% from the 172,660 sold in March 1985. Sales for March 1986 were valued at \$5,487,762.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries* (43-005, \$4/\$40), to be released by May 23. Contact: Roger Laplante (613-990-9837), Industry Division.

Shipments of Solid Fuel Burning Heating Products

March 31, 1986

Shipments of Canadian manufactured radiant heating stoves totalled \$1.4 million for the first quarter of 1986, a decrease of 33.8% from the \$2.1 million shipped during the same period in 1985.

Manufacturers' shipments of Canadian-made solid fuel burning heating products are now available, as are data on the number of units shipped. Radiant heating stoves represented 14.7% of the total value of shipments reported.

Order the first quarter 1986 issue of *Shipments of Solid Fuel Burning Heating Products* (25-002, \$3/\$12), scheduled for release early in May. Contact: Michel J. Cormier (613-991-3522), Industry Division.

Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins

March 1986

Canadian manufacturers produced 90 812 tonnes of polyethylene synthetic resins in March 1986, up 10.2% from the 82 410 (revised) tonnes produced the previous year and up 3.0% from the 88 160 tonnes produced in February 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 951.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins* (46-002, \$5/\$50), to be released the week of May 19. Contact: Louis Boucher (613-991-3513), Industry Division.

The Dairy Review

March 1986

Creamery butter production in Canada totalled 7 212 tonnes in March 1986, a decrease of 5.6% from a year earlier. Production of cheddar cheese amounted to 9 357 tonnes, an increase of 12.9% compared to March 1985.

An estimated 524 024 kilolitres of milk were sold off Canadian farms for all purposes in February 1986, a decrease of 2.8% from February 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5632-5638, 5650-5663, 5666 and 5667.

Order the March 1986 issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release on May 21. Contact: Dave Burroughs (613-991-2550), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Publications Released

Canadian Statistical Review, April 1986

Catalogue number 11-003E

(Canada: \$20/\$200; Other Countries: \$21.50/\$215)

This issue includes a feature article entitled "The Unrecorded Economy: Concepts, Approach and Preliminary Estimates for Canada", 1981, by Seymour Berger.

Preliminary Statement of Canadian

International Trade, March 1986

Catalogue number 65-001P

(Canada: \$5/\$50; Other Countries: \$6/\$60)

Available April 8, 1986 at 7:00 a.m.

Culture Communiqué, Vol. 9, No. 2:

Statistics on Motion Picture and Videotape Distribution, 1983

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March 1986

Overview, Month-to-Month

Preliminary March estimates show that total exports declined 6.9% or \$689 million to \$9.3 billion following a drop of 7.5% in February. Imports suffered an unusually large decline in March, falling 18.3% or \$1.8 billion from the record \$9.9 billion in February. The net effect on the merchandise trade balance was an increase of \$1.1 billion to a level of \$1.3 billion.

Data users should note that the unusually large drop in March imports coincided with a smaller number of trading days due to Easter occurring in March for the first time in eight years.

Overview, Quarter-to-Quarter

Exports in the first quarter fell 2.6% to \$30.2 billion following a 4.8% increase in the fourth quarter. The decline was primarily attributable to a 26.7% decline in energy products. Imports rose 2.7% to \$27.8 billion in the first quarter despite the large monthly decline in March. This marks the fifth consecutive quarterly increase in imports. As a result, the merchandise trade surplus declined \$1.5 billion in the first quarter.

Short-term Trend

Total Exports

In the current period, the short-term trend for exports continued the descent begun late in 1985. Exports of energy products were the primary contributor followed by exports of automotive products and to a lesser extent, exports of agricultural and fish products. The short-term trends for exports of industrial goods and materials and forestry products remained positive.

Imports

In the current period, the modest growth observed in the short-term trend up to January has been halted. The decline in February was widespread as the short-term trends for automotive products, machinery and equipment, industrial goods and materials, energy products and forestry products all turned down. Other consumer goods and agricultural and fish products registered marginal gains in the period.

Commodity Highlights

Total Exports

The decline in exports was evident in all major commodity groupings except for forestry and energy products which both posted small gains. Wheat declined a further 41.9% in March following a drop of 19.5% in February and accounted for the decline in agricultural products. Industrial goods registered widespread declines dropping 12.0% after a 10.1% fall in February. Automotive products registered a further drop of 6.5% largely due to automotive parts. Machinery and equipment posted a sharp reversal, declining 8.3% in March after a gain of 10.9% in February; exports of industrial machinery and aircraft were the main factors.

Imports

The decline in imports was evident in all commodity groupings. The automotive sector declined 13.2% following a drop of 2.0% in February. Industrial goods and materials dropped a further 16.2% after a 7.3% decline in February. Similar movements were registered in machinery and equipment, which dropped 19.0% after a 2.2% increase; agricultural products which fell 19.5% after an 8.9% rise and in other consumer goods, which dropped 13.8% in March after an increase of 5.8%. Energy products plummeted 46.9% in March, primarily due to falling imports of crude petroleum.

Trading Partner Highlights

Exports

Except for "other OECD countries", exports to all of Canada's trading partners registered declines. Exports to the United States dropped 6.5% following a similar decline in February and accounted for nearly 75% of the fall. Exports to Japan fell 7.4% after a drop of 9.0% in February.

Imports

Without exception, declines were observed in imports from all of Canada's trading partners. The 13.5% decline in imports from the United States accounted for more than 50% of the drop. Imports from Japan posted a sharp reversal, falling 16.9% after increasing 32.1% in February. Imports from the rest of the world registered similar reversals.
(see tables on pages 4 and 5)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 30, 3651-3678, 3686-3713, 3718 and 3719.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Summary of Canadian International Trade* (65-001, \$15/\$150), available the fourth week of May. Contact: G. Blaney (613-990-9647), Trade Information Unit, or Judith Frederick (613-990-9784), Trade Measures and Analysis Section, International Trade Division.

For summary information, available on the day of release, order the *Preliminary Statement of Canadian International Trade* (65-001P, \$5/\$50).

Merchandise Trade of Canada

March 1986

Balance of Payments Basis

	Total exports ¹ raw	Imports raw	Total exports ¹ S.A. ³	Imports S.A. ³	Balance S.A. ³	Period-to-period change ²		
						Total exports ¹ S.A. ³	Imports S.A. ³	Balance S.A. ³
						%	%	\$ millions
			\$ millions					
1980	76,680	67,901	76,680	67,901	8,779	16.9	11.0	4,354
1981	84,468	77,140	84,468	77,140	7,328	10.2	13.6	-1,451
1982	84,540	66,726	84,540	66,726	17,814	0.1	-13.5	10,486
1983	90,825	73,120	90,825	73,120	17,705	7.4	9.6	-109
1984	112,118	91,450	112,118	91,450	20,667	23.4	25.1	2,963
1985	120,095	103,278	120,095	103,278	16,817	7.1	12.9	-3,851
1984								
First Quarter	25,776	21,818	26,298	21,832	4,465	6.1	6.4	184
Second Quarter	29,341	24,161	27,642	22,479	5,163	5.1	3.0	698
Third Quarter	27,663	22,696	29,108	23,898	5,210	5.3	6.3	47
Fourth Quarter	29,338	22,775	29,070	23,241	5,829	-0.1	-2.8	619
1985								
First Quarter	28,912	23,800	29,623	24,211	5,413	1.9	4.2	-416
Second Quarter	31,689	27,390	29,820	25,408	4,412	0.7	4.9	-1,001
Third Quarter	28,077	25,602	29,609	26,610	2,999	-0.7	4.7	-1,413
Fourth Quarter	31,416	26,486	31,042	27,049	3,993	4.8	1.6	995
1986								
First Quarter	29,128	27,113	30,223	27,778	2,445	-2.6	2.7	-1,548
1985								
January	9,138	7,707	9,599	8,176	1,423	1.3	3.1	-125
February	9,164	7,631	9,611	7,927	1,684	0.1	-3.0	262
March	10,610	8,462	10,413	8,108	2,305	8.3	2.3	620
April	10,465	9,118	10,142	8,092	2,050	-2.6	-0.2	-255
May	10,895	9,227	10,053	8,492	1,561	-0.9	4.9	-489
June	10,329	9,044	9,626	8,825	801	-4.2	3.9	-760
July	8,555	8,718	8,912	8,654	258	-7.4	-1.9	-543
August	8,956	8,252	10,013	8,958	1,055	12.4	3.5	798
September	10,566	8,633	10,683	8,998	1,685	6.7	0.5	630
October	11,234	9,207	10,914	8,697	2,217	2.2	-3.3	531
November	10,347	9,237	9,950	9,423	527	-8.8	8.3	-1,690
December	9,835	8,042	10,179	8,928	1,251	2.3	-5.2	724
1986								
January	10,060	9,054	10,843	9,808	1,035	6.5	9.8	-215
February	9,413	9,425	10,034	9,890	144	-7.5	0.8	-891
March	9,655	8,633	9,345	8,080	1,265	-6.9	-18.3	1,121
Year-to-date								
1985	28,912	23,800	29,623	24,211	5,413	12.6	10.9	947
1986	29,128	27,113	30,223	27,778	2,445	2.0	14.7	-2,968

¹ Total Exports = Domestic Exports + Re-exports.² Year-to-year, quarter-to-quarter, month-to-month.³ Seasonally Adjusted.

Note: Due to rounding monthly data may not add up to quarterly data and quarterly data may not add up to annual data.

Merchandise Trade by Principal Trading Areas

March 1986

Seasonally Adjusted, Balance of Payments Basis

			Period-to-period change				Year-to-date	Change over previous year	
	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.			
	\$ millions		%	%	\$ millions		\$ millions	%	\$ millions
Total exports to:									
United States	7,800.0	7,289.4	-6.4	-6.5	-529.1	-510.6	23,418.6	2.7	611.0
Japan	454.2	420.5	-9.0	-7.4	-45.2	-33.8	1,374.1	-13.6	-217.0
United Kingdom	233.5	199.0	5.7	-14.8	12.6	-34.6	653.5	17.4	96.9
Other EEC Countries	456.9	379.0	2.8	-17.0	12.2	-77.9	1,280.6	11.5	132.4
Other OECD Countries	150.0	179.3	-40.9	19.5	-103.9	29.2	583.2	-1.6	-9.4
Other Countries	939.2	878.1	-14.3	-6.5	-156.1	-61.1	2,912.7	-0.5	-14.5
Total	10,034.0	9,345.2	-7.5	-6.9	-809.4	-688.8	30,222.7	2.0	599.3
Imports from:									
United States	6,749.9	5,835.6	-3.7	-13.5	-262.6	-914.3	19,597.9	9.4	1,687.3
Japan	650.1	540.2	32.1	-16.9	157.8	-109.9	1,682.5	23.8	323.0
United Kingdom	426.3	225.4	5.9	-47.1	23.8	-200.9	1,054.2	147.8	628.8
Other EEC Countries	813.1	594.3	8.2	-26.9	61.4	-218.7	2,159.2	44.1	660.5
Other OECD Countries	251.1	175.9	17.5	-30.0	37.5	-75.2	640.6	11.4	65.6
Other Countries	999.2	708.9	6.9	-29.1	64.1	-290.3	2,643.3	8.3	201.7
Total	9,889.7	8,080.3	0.8	-18.3	82.0	-1809.3	27,777.6	14.7	3,566.9
Balance with:									
United States	1,050.1	1,453.8			-266.6	403.6	3,820.6		-1,076.3
Japan	-195.8	-119.7			-203.0	76.1	-308.4		-540.1
United Kingdom	-192.8	-26.5			-11.2	166.3	-400.8		-531.9
Other EEC Countries	-356.2	-215.3			-49.1	140.8	-878.5		-528.1
Other OECD Countries	-101.1	3.4			-141.3	104.5	-57.4		-75.0
Other Countries	-60.0	169.2			-220.2	229.2	269.4		-216.1
Total	144.3	1,264.9			-891.4	1120.6	2,445.0		-2,967.6

Note: Prior to 1986 Portugal and Spain were not included in the EEC.

Help-wanted Index

April 1986

The seasonally adjusted Help-wanted Index (1981=100) for Canada increased 5.8% to 91 from 86 between March and April 1986. Regionally the indexes advanced 14.4% in Ontario (to 119 from 104), 4.4% in Quebec (to 94 from 90) and 4.3% in the Atlantic provinces (to 145 from 139). The index remained unchanged in the Prairie provinces (46) and declined by 6.8% in British Columbia (to 41 from 44).

Compared with the same month last year, the April 1986 index for Canada advanced 24.7%. Increases were observed in all regions except the Atlantic provinces where the index declined 35.8%.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 105.

Contact: Horst Stiebert or Jean-Pierre Maynard (613-990-9900), Labour Division.

Help-wanted Index,¹ Canada and Regions

Seasonally Adjusted
(1981 = 100)

Year and month	Canada	Atlantic provinces ²	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie provinces	British Columbia
1985						
April	73	226	76	81	37	27
May	68	94	77	85	41	27
June	67	117	74	84	46	28
July	71	134	76	91	43	32
August	77	156	85	95	43	33
September	79	226	77	93	43	34
October	79	162	84	93	44	35
November	84	213	83	96	39	39
December	85	216	88	95	45	39
1986						
January	87	146	93	107	43	38
February	84	205	89	98	47	41
March	86	139	90	104	46	44
April	91	145	94	119	46	41

¹ The index is calculated from help-wanted advertisements published in 18 major metropolitan area newspapers.

² The data for the Atlantic provinces sometime show large month-to-month variations which are caused by special advertisements which have been placed in the help-wanted classified section; these ads are commonly found under "Careers" in newspapers published in other areas.

Population of Census Divisions and Census Metropolitan Areas

(Component Method)

June 1, 1984

An estimated 14,137,800 Canadians, about 56.3% of Canada's population, lived in census metropolitan areas (CMAs) as of June 1, 1984. Toronto remained Canada's largest CMA, with an estimated 3,148,500 people. Toronto along with Montreal (2,870,700) and Vancouver (1,332,600) made up over 52% of the total CMA population.

The CMA population increased by 157,600 during the period June 1, 1983 to May 31, 1984, compared to an increase of 132,300 the previous census year. The increase in the annual population growth of all CMAs was essentially due to a reversal of internal migration trends, as net internal migration increased by 12,800 in 1983-84 compared to a decline of 19,700 in 1982-1983. Almost all CMAs showed increases: Toronto gained 15,500 more people than in 1982-1983 and Montreal 5,700, Calgary 5,400 and Vancouver 5,000. However, the CMA of Edmonton recorded a decrease of 11,600.

A significant decline of net international migration totals (to 39,100 in 1983-1984 from 55,400 in 1982-1983) was also reflected in the population totals of CMAs to a gain of 37,300 from 46,800 in the previous period.

The overall population growth rate in 1983-1984 for all CMAs was 1.0% – the same as for the total population of Canada. However, several CMAs showed much higher annual growth rates: Oshawa (3.2%), Saskatoon (2.3%) and Vancouver (2.0%) while slight population losses were experienced by Edmonton (-0.2%), Calgary (-0.1%) and Sudbury (-0.1%).

Users are advised that estimates of population for census divisions and census metropolitan areas as of June 1, 1984 and the components of change for 1983-1984 (births, deaths, international and internal migration) may be obtained from the Statistics Canada Regional Offices, the Central Inquiries Service in Ottawa (613-990-8116) or from CANSIM: Census Divisions, table 00470302, components of growth, table 00470303, CMAs, table 00470305, components of growth, table 00470306.

These estimates will appear in *Postcensal Annual Estimates of Population for Census Divisions and Census Metropolitan Areas (Component Method)*, (91-212, \$15), available in June 1986. Contact: Lise Champagne or Rosemary Bender (613-990-9581), Demography Division.

Data Availability Announcements

1984 Census of Manufactures

Manufacturing shipments

Industry	1980 SIC	CANSIM matrix	1983	1984	% Change
(\$ millions)					
1. Fish products	1021	5382	1,638.0	1,593.6	-2.7
2. Wine	1141	5405	222.7	235.0	5.5
3. Plastic bag	1691	5417	444.0	504.3	13.6
4. Other plastic products n.e.c.	1699	5418	1,462.0	1,687.7	15.4
5. Other converted paper products n.e.c.	2799	5495	586.8	641.1	9.3
6. Other primary steel	2919	5507	5,909.2	7,094.6	20.1
7. Other fabricated structural metal products	3029	5520	965.0	982.7	1.8
8. Other hardware and cutlery	3069	5534	209.4	262.5	25.3
9. Aircraft and aircraft parts	3211	5549	1,965.8	2,299.1	17.0
10. Motor vehicle stampings	3253	5557	1,206.2	1,619.0	34.2
11. Plastic parts and accessories for motor vehicles	3256	5560	443.1	653.5	47.5
12. Boatbuilding and repair	3281	5565	183.2	232.1	26.7
13. Small electrical appliance	3311	5568	378.3	457.1	25.9
14. Industrial organic chemical n.e.c.	3712	6871	3,858.1	4,296.1	11.4
15. Soap and cleaning compounds	3761	6878	1,169.0	1,296.4	10.9
16. Toilet preparations	3771	6879	741.6	804.8	8.5
17. Indicating, recording and controlling instruments	3911	6884	614.0	706.0	15.0
18. Other instruments and related products	3912	6885	536.4	566.5	5.6

For further information telephone (613-990-9835).

Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin

May 1986

Highlights from the May issue of the Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin are as follows:

- Advance operational data for February 1986 show that passenger-kilometres for major Canadian air carriers increased by 5.6% over February 1985. (Available on CANSIM: matrix 385.)
- Total aircraft movements reported by the towered airports decreased by 2.3% in the first 10 months of 1985 as compared to the same period in 1984.
- This month's bulletin contains a special release which shows that passenger traffic on local carrier non-scheduled unit toll services increased by 33% in the second quarter of 1985 from a year earlier.
- Charter passenger traffic between Canada and the United States during the third quarter of 1985 rose 16.3% from the previous year.

Order the May 1986 (Vol. 18, No. 4) issue of *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), available in a few days. Contact: the Aviation Statistics Centre (819-997-1986), Transportation Division.

Steel Ingots

Week Ending May 3, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending May 3, 1986 totalled 275 935 tonnes, a decrease of 5.3% from the preceding week's total of 291 242 tonnes but up 0.5% from the year-earlier level of 274 522 tonnes.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes

March 1986

Canadian manufacturers produced 4,025,974 phonograph records in March 1986, down from the 4,340,064 produced in the same period the previous year.

Production of pre-recorded tapes increased to 3,444,553 from 3,315,635 in March 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 2904.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada* (47-004, \$4/\$40), to be released by May 16. Contact: Don Grant (613-991-3518), Industry Division.

Footwear Statistics

March 1986

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,597,895 pairs of footwear in March 1986, a decrease of 4.0% from the 3,745,179 pairs produced during the same period a year ago.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 8.

Order the March issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of May 12. Contact: T. Raj Sehdev (613-991-3510), Industry Division.

Export and Import Price Indexes

March 1986

Current and fixed weighted export and import price indexes (1981=100) on a balance of payments basis are now available. Price indexes are listed from January 1971 to March 1986 for the seven commodity sections and 62/61 major commodity groups.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3633, 3635, 3636 and 3638.

Customs based current and fixed weighted U.S. price indexes are also available. Price indexes are listed from January 1981 to March 1986 on a 1981=100 basis. Included with the

U.S. commodity indexes are the 10 "All Countries" and "U.S. only" SITC section indexes.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3639-3642.

Price indexes on a 1971=100 base, balance of payments basis, have been terminated as of December 1985.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Summary of Canadian International Trade* (65-001, \$15/\$150), available the fourth week of May. Contact: D. Pilon or Peter Wang (613-990-9784), Price Index Unit, International Trade Division.

Publications Released

**Production and Stocks of Eggs
and Poultry, February 1986**

Catalogue number 23-003

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**Canned and Frozen Fruits and
Vegetables, January 1986**

Catalogue number 32-011

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

**Electric Lamps (Light Bulbs and
Tubes), March 1986**

Catalogue number 43-009

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

**Industrial Corporations: Financial
Statistics, Fourth Quarter 1985**

Catalogue number 61-003

(Canada: \$50/\$200; Other Countries: \$60/\$240)

**Private and Public Investment
in Canada, Intentions 1986**

Catalogue number 61-205

(Canada: \$25; Other Countries: \$26)

**Building Permits –
Annual Summary, 1985**

Catalogue number 64-203

(Canada: \$50; Other Countries: \$51)

**Labour Force Information,
April 1986**

Catalogue number 71-001P

(Canada: \$5/\$50; Other Countries: \$6/\$60)

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Major Releases

Labour Force Survey

April 1986

Overview

Estimates from Statistics Canada's Labour Force Survey for April 1986 show that the seasonally adjusted level of employment rose by 56,000 from March, the first gain since the large increase registered in January of this year. The unemployment level showed little change on a seasonally adjusted basis and the unemployment rate remained at 9.6, the same as in the previous month.

Employment

The seasonally adjusted estimate of employment for the week ended April 19, 1986 was 11,682,000 – up 56,000 from the preceding month, continuing the upward trend that began in December 1982.

The increase in the estimated level of employment was almost entirely due to a 52,000 increase in the 15 to 24 age group (2,467,000), 30,000 for males and 22,000 for females. Employment among persons aged 25 and over was little changed at 9,215,000.

Full-time employment stood at 9,833,000 as a result of an increase of 31,000 among females. Part-time employment was estimated at 1,844,000 persons, reflecting a rise of 22,000 among males.

The estimated employment level rose by 25,000 in services, by 14,000 in trade and by 7,000 in agriculture. Other sectors showed little change.

Seasonally adjusted estimates of employment increased by 36,000 in Ontario, by 18,000 in Quebec and by 5,000 in Newfoundland. Employment fell by 6,000 in Alberta. There was little or no change in the other provinces.

Unemployment

The seasonally adjusted estimate of unemployment was virtually unchanged at 1,239,000 (+1,000) in April 1986. For persons aged 15 to 24, unemployment declined by 19,000 to 437,000. For persons aged 25 and over, it increased by 20,000 to 802,000 with 15,000 of the increase occurring among men.

The estimated level of unemployment fell by 12,000 in Quebec and by 5,000 in British Columbia. Unemployment increased by an estimated 9,000 in Alberta.

Unemployment Rate

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate remained at 9.6 in April 1986. For persons aged 15 to 24, it declined by 0.9 to 15.0 as a result of declines of 1.0 among males (15.6) and 0.7 among females (14.4). For the 25 and over age group, the rate was estimated at 8.0, up 0.2; the rate stood at 7.6 for males (+0.2) and 8.6 for females (+0.1).

The estimated unemployment rate decreased by 1.2 to 19.7 in Newfoundland, by 0.4 to 11.4 in Quebec, by 0.6 to 7.6 in Saskatchewan and by 0.3 to 12.4 in British Columbia. It rose by 0.2 to 13.5 in Prince Edward Island, by 0.1 to 8.2 in Manitoba and by 0.7 to 9.7 in Alberta. It remained unchanged at 12.8 in Nova Scotia, 14.9 in New Brunswick and 6.8 in Ontario.

Participation Rate

In April 1986, the seasonally adjusted participation rate rose by 0.2 to 66.1. The rate for the 15 to 24 age group climbed by 0.9 to 69.5, an increase of 1.1 among males and 0.8 among females. In the 25 and over age group, the rate was little changed at 65.2.

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Employment/Population Ratio

The seasonally adjusted employment/population ratio increased by 0.3 to 59.8 in April 1986. It jumped by 1.4 to 59.1 among persons aged 15 to 24, the highest level since August 1981. For persons aged 25 and over, it slipped by 0.1 to 59.9.

Unadjusted Data

The unadjusted estimate of employment for April 1986 was 11,431,000, up 416,000 (3.8%) from a year earlier. The level of unemployment stood at 1,303,000 – 134,000 less (-9.3%) than in April 1985. The unemployment rate declined by 1.3 to 10.2 during the 12-month period. The

participation rate was 65.1, a 0.7 increase from a year before. Over the same period, the employment/population ratio climbed by 1.5 to 58.5.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2074-2075, 2078-2099, 2101-2107 and table 00799999.

Order the April 1986 issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, \$20/\$200), available the third week of May. Contact: Ken Bennett (613-990-9448), Household Surveys Division.

For summary information, available on the day of release, order *Labour Force Information* (71-001P, \$5/\$50).

Labour Force Characteristics, Canada

	April 1986	March 1986	April 1985
Seasonally Adjusted Data			
Labour Force ('000)	12,921	12,864	12,620
Employment ('000)	11,682	11,626	11,257
Unemployment ('000)	1,239	1,238	1,363
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.6	9.6	10.8
Participation Rate (%)	66.1	65.9	65.3
Employment/Population Ratio (%)	59.8	59.5	58.2
Unadjusted Data			
Labour Force ('000)	12,734	12,681	12,452
Employment ('000)	11,431	11,301	11,015
Unemployment ('000)	1,303	1,380	1,437
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.2	10.9	11.5
Participation Rate (%)	65.1	64.9	64.4
Employment/Population Ratio (%)	58.5	57.9	57.0

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production

January 1986

Preliminary figures show the production of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons for January 1986 increased 5.0% from the previous year to 7 888.4 thousand cubic metres.

Exports of crude petroleum increased 54.1% from January 1985 to 2 621.6 thousand cubic metres while imports increased 49.7% to 1 741.7 thousand cubic metres.

Canadian refinery receipts of crude oil increased 2.7% from a year earlier to 6 994.8 thousand cubic metres.

Preliminary figures show net withdrawals of natural gas in January 1986 decreased 0.6% from a year earlier, totalling 9 971.2 million cubic metres. Marketable production of natural

gas after treatment at processing plants amounted to 7 995.6 million cubic metres, down 1.1% from a year earlier, while net withdrawals of natural gas liquids (propane, butanes and ethane) were 1 309.4 thousand cubic metres, a decrease of 7.8%.

Exports of natural gas totalled 2 766.8 million cubic metres, down 3.5% from January 1985, while sales in Canada decreased 1.7% to 6 233.3 million cubic metres.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 127 and 128.

Order the January 1986 issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, \$8/\$80), to be released the fourth week of May. Contact: G. O'Connor (613-991-3562), Industry Division.

Farm Input Price Index (FIPI)

First Quarter 1986

The Farm Input Price Index (FIPI, 1981 = 100) for Canada for the first quarter of 1986 stood at a preliminary level of 108.6. While the index increased 2.4% during the first three months of 1986, it was only 1.1% above the year-earlier level.

At the Canada level the largest impact on quarterly movement came from an increase in the animal production index (3.8%), mainly due to higher prices for weanling pigs, which were up 9.8%. Most other major groups also recorded increases ranging from 0.1% to 3.9%. The crop production index (the only index to decline) fell 0.2% because of a 1.2% drop in fertilizer prices.

On a year-to-year basis, all major group indexes increased, except for the interest index which fell 6.8%. This decline was attributable to a 2.2% fall in the mortgage index, reflecting mainly lower land prices, and a 9.5% drop in the non-mortgage index, reflecting lower interest rates. The animal production index was up 0.9%, reflecting rather large offsetting movements – from a decline in grain feed prices of 17.3% to an increase in piglet prices of 15.5%. These changes were much more significant in the West, where grain feed prices were down

24.3% while prices for weanling pigs were up 62.8%.

The crop production index is also up 0.9% over the year, but the movements of the individual indexes have been more modest: increases in prices for pesticides (3.4%) were partially offset by lower prices for fertilizer (-1.8%). The largest annual increase was in the hired farm labour index, which rose 4.5%.

Regionally, the Eastern Canada total index was up 2.9% from the fourth quarter of 1985 and now stands 0.3% above the previous year's level. In Western Canada, the total index was up 2.0% over the quarter and 1.7% over the first quarter of 1985.

(see table on page 6)

In accordance with the revision policy for this series, some indexes for 1984 and 1985 were revised. Indexes for 1984 are now final.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1900-1909.

Order the First Quarter 1986 issue of *Farm Input Price Indexes* (62-004, \$10/\$40), available at the end of May. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Farm Input Price Indexes

(1981 = 100)

				% change	
	1st	4th	1st	1st	1st
	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Q. 1986/	Q. 1986/
	1986	1985	1985	4th	1st
				Q. 1985	Q. 1985
Eastern Canada					
Total farm input ^P	108.0	105.0	107.7	2.9	0.3
Building and fencing	128.3	127.5	122.7	0.6	4.6
Machinery and motor vehicles	122.0	119.5	119.2	2.1	2.3
Crop production	103.0	104.5	104.7	-1.4	-1.6
Animal production	103.2	97.9	103.7	5.4	-0.5
Supplies and services	128.3	126.5	126.0	1.4	1.8
Hired farm labour	126.5	125.3	120.3	1.0	5.2
Property taxes ^P	129.1	122.1	122.1	5.7	5.7
Interest ^P	80.0	76.9	86.3	4.0	-7.3
Farm rent ^P	78.5	76.1	76.1	3.2	3.2
Western Canada					
Total farm input ^P	109.1	107.0	107.3	2.0	1.7
Building and fencing	120.3	117.8	113.9	2.1	5.6
Machinery and motor vehicles	121.9	119.2	118.8	2.3	2.6
Crop production	101.4	100.8	98.7	0.6	2.7
Animal production	104.9	102.6	102.5	2.2	2.3
Supplies and services	123.7	122.8	122.1	0.7	1.3
Hired farm labour	120.9	119.7	116.6	1.0	3.7
Property taxes ^P	143.7	139.1	139.1	3.3	3.3
Interest ^P	81.6	78.6	87.2	3.8	-6.4
Farm rent ^P	100.7	99.5	99.5	1.2	1.2
Canada					
Total farm input ^P	108.6	106.1	107.4	2.4	1.1
Building and fencing	124.4	122.8	118.5	1.3	5.0
Machinery and motor vehicles	121.9	119.3	118.9	2.2	2.5
Crop production	102.0	102.2	101.1	-0.2	0.9
Animal production	104.0	100.2	103.1	3.8	0.9
Supplies and services	125.8	124.5	123.9	1.0	1.5
Hired farm labour	124.1	122.9	118.7	1.0	4.5
Property taxes ^P	138.6	133.2	133.2	4.1	4.1
Interest ^P	80.9	77.9	86.8	3.9	-6.8
Farm rent ^P	95.7	94.2	94.2	1.6	1.6

^P Preliminary figures.

Data Availability Announcements

1984 Census of Manufactures

Manufacturing Shipments

Industry	1980 SIC	CANSIM matrix	1983	1984	% Change
(\$ millions)					
1. Meat and meat products (except poultry)	1011	5380	7,853.7	8,277.2	5.4
2. Fluid milk	1041	5385	2,372.4	2,562.6	8.0
3. Other dairy products	1049	5386	3,242.6	3,532.9	9.0
4. Feed	1053	5389	2,505.2	2,660.2	6.2
5. Bread and other bakery products	1072	5392	1,275.8	1,340.9	5.1
6. Malt and malt flour, other food products, n.e.c.	1099	5400	2,162.6	2,411.0	11.5
7. Soft drink	1111	5402	1,435.6	1,588.8	10.7
8. Sawmill and planing mill products (except shingles and shakes)	2512	5460	5,991.3	6,265.3	4.6
9. Other metal fabricating n.e.c.	3099	5539	853.8	963.7	12.9
10. Other motor vehicle accessories, parts and assemblies	3259	5562	2,149.6	2,947.1	37.1
11. Shipbuilding and repair	3271	5564	822.1	1,046.0	27.3
12. Communication and other electronic equipment	3350	6742	3,125.4	3,820.6	22.2
13. Office, store and business machine	3360	6743	1,282.8	1,662.5	29.6
14. Electrical switchgear and protective equipment	3372	5581	510.6	574.6	12.5
15. Ready-mix concrete	3551	6855	1,030.4	1,061.4	3.0
16. Refined petroleum products (except lubricating oil and grease)	3611	6866	22,978.5	22,958.4	-0.1
17. Paint and varnish	3751	6877	975.2	1,081.0	10.9
18. Other chemical products n.e.c.	3799	6882	1,582.0	1,710.4	8.1
19. Ophthalmic goods	3914	6887	166.1	193.7	16.6
20. Sporting goods	3931	6890	452.5	534.3	18.1
21. Toys and games	3932	6891	240.5	329.8	37.1
22. Sign and display	3971	6892	287.9	365.9	27.1
23. Broom, brush and mop	3991	6893	99.9	101.6	1.8

For further information telephone (613-990-9835).

Gas Utilities

January 1986

Sales of natural gas in Canada amounted to 6 229 million cubic metres in January 1986, a decrease of 1.7% from 6 336 million cubic metres a year earlier.

Reported exports to the United States were 2 767 million cubic metres during January 1985, a decrease of 3.5% from 2 868 million cubic metres a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 182 and 1052-1055.

Order the January 1986 issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, \$10/\$100), available the last week of May. Contact: Gary Smalldridge (613-991-3567), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue

March 1986

Roundwood production decreased by 8.9% to 3 461 943 cubic metres in March 1986, down from 3 799 116 (revised) cubic metres a year earlier. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue increased by 1.4% to 7 985 045 cubic metres from 7 871 273 (revised) cubic metres

and the closing inventory of these two products decreased by 5.6% to 21 253 984 cubic metres from 22 525 178 (revised) cubic metres for the same period in 1985.

Receipts of wood residue increased by 3.2% to 3 988 286 cubic metres compared to 3 865 120 (revised) cubic metres for the same month in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 54.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, \$5/\$50), to be released the week of May 19. Contact: Patrick Martin (613-991-3516) or Katherine Blais (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Production of Eggs

March 1986

Canadian egg production and laying hen numbers for March 1986 are now available.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1145-1146 and 5689-5691.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release the week of June 2. Contact: Peter Beerstecher (613-990-8714), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

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Refined Petroleum Products, January 1986
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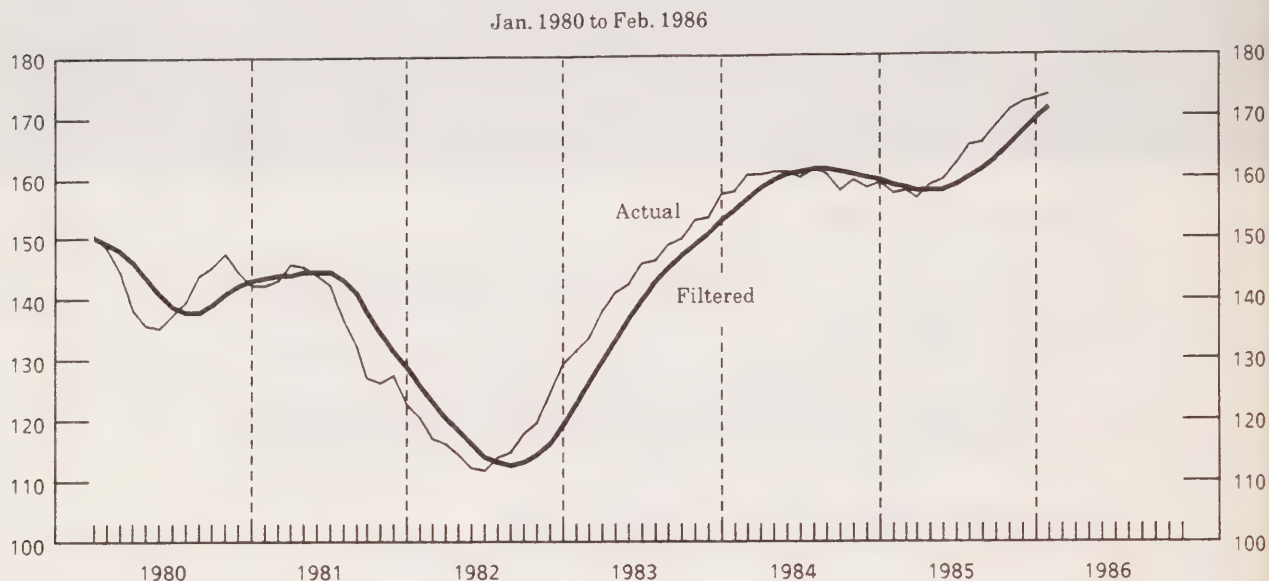
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Composite Leading Indicator

February 1986

The composite indicator rose for the ninth straight month in February, although the increase was smaller than in January and was less evenly distributed among the components. The index's rise of 1.0% (to 171.0) originated in seven components and was consistent with the historical average for expansions in which changes averaged about 1.0% and an average seven out of 10 components were up. A firming trend in the manufacturing indicators and a gradual recovery in the United States leading indicator partly offset a slowdown in indicators of household demand, particularly in the residential construction index. The non-filtered index continued to rise, up 0.7% to 173.8, after increasing slightly in January (0.4%). (see table on page 3)

Available on CANSIM: matrix 161.

Additional data and further analysis of the Leading Indicator are available in the monthly *Current Economic Indicators* (13-005, \$10/\$100). This publication also contains the Monthly Economic Review that formerly appeared in the *Daily*. The May issue of this publication will be released on the 16th of this month. For further information on data published in this issue and the next release dates, or about ordering, contact G. Proulx (613-990-9163). For general information contact D. Rhoades (613-990-9161), Econometric Analysis Division.

Canadian Leading Indicators

	% Change						Level
	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Feb.
Composite leading index (1971 = 100)							
Filtered	.94	1.12	1.28	1.30	1.18	1.04	171.03
Unfiltered	-.1	1.8	1.6	.7	.4	.7	173.8
Retail Trade							
Furniture and appliance sales	.82	1.65	1.69	1.66	1.02	.30	122,215 ⁴
New motor vehicle sales	2.57	1.58	1.65	2.47	1.24	.67	766,121 ⁴
Residential construction index¹	6.44	4.53	2.38	-.30	-.48	-.94	93.1
Manufacturing							
New orders – durable	.74	.79	1.00	1.55	1.69	1.62	3,771.1 ⁵
Shipment to inventory ratio – (Finished goods) ²	.004	.003	.007	.009	.011	.011	1.69
Average workweek (Hours)	.07	.05	.14	.09	.08	-.03	39.0
Percentage change in price per unit labour cost ²	.00	.03	.04	.03	.03	.04	-0.20
United States composite leading index (1972 = 100)	.30	.38	.42	.59	.61	.66	172.9
TSE300 stock price index (Excluding oil and gas)	.55	.02	.58	1.28	1.52	1.85	2,741.4
Money supply (M1) (\$1971)³	.54	.64	.73	.65	.24	-.09	10,398.4 ⁵

¹ Composite index of housing starts (units), building permits (constant dollars) and mortgage loan approvals (numbers). Because of the unavailability of the actual level of mortgage loan approvals, a forecast was used in the computation of the residential index for the two last months.

² Difference from previous month.

³ Deflated by the consumer price index for all items.

⁴ Thousands of 1971 dollars.

⁵ Millions of 1971 dollars.

New Motor Vehicle Sales

March 1986

Unadjusted Sales

Sales of all new motor vehicles totalled 133,187 units in March 1986, down 3.3% or 4,539 units from March 1985. The principal factors accounting for this year-over-year decline were sales of passenger cars built in North America (down 12.4% to 66,828 units) and in Japan (down 2.7% to 17,896 units). Total sales of commercial vehicles increased by 4.7% over March 1985 to reach 35,921 units.

A 12.2% year-over-year rise in sales of overseas-built passenger cars (to 30,438 units) was due to an increase of 43.6% for passenger cars manufactured in "other countries" (to 12,542 units).

The share of the Canadian passenger car market held by North American manufacturers in March 1986 (based on unit sales) was 68.7%, down from the 73.8% recorded in March 1985. Japanese manufacturers held a market share of 18.4% compared to 17.8% the previous year. Manufacturers from "other countries" held 12.9% of the passenger car market, a substantial increase from the 8.4% registered in March 1985.

The total dollar value of all new motor vehicles sold in March 1986 increased by 4.9% from a year earlier to \$1,826.7 million. Sales of overseas passenger cars reached \$418.4 million, up 27.6% over the corresponding month in 1985. Total sales of commercial vehicles built overseas amounted to \$62.4 million, up 41.9%. Sales of North American passenger cars declined 7.4% to \$834.0 million while sales of commercial vehicles increased 9.0% to reach \$511.9 million.

With the exception of British Columbia, where unit sales increased by 16.0%, all provinces registered lower unit sales of motor vehicles in March 1986 compared to March 1985. Declines ranged from 13.2% in Saskatchewan to 0.9% in Ontario.

Total new motor vehicle sales reported for the first three months of 1986 increased by 5.0% over the same period last year to reach 341,009 units, valued at \$4,704.1 million, a rise of 14.8%.

Seasonally Adjusted Sales

Adjusted for seasonal fluctuations and the number of trading days, preliminary estimates of total unit sales of passenger cars in March dropped by 7.9% to a level of 88,487 units. Sales of passenger cars built in North America totalled 59,631 units, a decline of 15.6% from the previous month's revised total of 70,635 units. Sales of imported passenger cars totalled 28,856 units, 13.6% higher than the revised level of 25,403 units recorded in February. Total sales of commercial vehicles, both domestic and overseas, decreased by 15.6% to 30,454 units from the revised total of 36,068 units for February 1986. (see table on page 5)

Available on CANSIM: matrix 64.

Order the March 1986 issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, \$8/\$80), available the fourth week of May. Contact: Maurice Massaad (613-991-3549), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

New Motor Vehicle Sales - Canada

March 1986

	March 1986	Change 1986/85	January- March 1986	Change 1986/85
	Units	%	Units	%
Passenger cars	97,266	-6.0	246,472	1.7
Commercial vehicles	35,921	4.7	94,537	14.5
Total	133,187	-3.3	341,009	5.0
Passenger cars by country of origin				
North America	66,828	-12.4	173,655	-2.1
Japan	17,896	-2.7	41,612	-0.1
Other countries	12,542	43.6	31,205	33.7
Total	97,266	-6.0	246,472	1.7
	Value \$000	%	Value \$000	%
Passenger cars	1,252,394	2.0	3,151,010	10.8
Commercial vehicles	574,279	11.8	1,553,067	23.8
Total	1,826,673	4.9	4,704,077	14.8
Passenger cars by country of origin				
North America	834,043	-7.4	2,173,896	5.1
Japan	239,839	14.2	531,620	12.3
Other countries	178,512	51.4	445,494	48.0
Total	1,252,394	2.0	3,151,010	10.8

Department Store Sales by Regions March 1986

Department stores in Canada reported sales totalling \$900.4 million in March 1986, an increase of 6.0% from a year earlier.

Cumulative sales for the period January to March 1986 totalled \$2,358.6 million, up 7.8% from the same period in 1985.

On a regional basis, department store sales during the month were as follows, with the percentage change from March 1985 in parentheses:

- Atlantic provinces, \$60.3 million (3.4%)
- Quebec, \$169.8 million (6.0%)
- Ontario, \$332.8 million (9.4%)

- Manitoba, \$46.2 million (--)
- Saskatchewan, \$28.3 million (1.1%)
- Alberta, \$122.7 million (4.2%)
- British Columbia, \$140.3 million (4.3%)

-- Amount too small to be expressed.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004, \$2/\$20), available the third week of May. Contact: Maurice Massaad (613-991-3549), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

March 1986

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for Canada in March 1986 was 281.3 (1971=100), 1.5% less than the February 1986 estimate of 285.5 and 7.6% less than the March 1985 total of 304.4. The 1.5% decrease in the overall index from February to March 1986 was due to decreases in both the total crops and the livestock and livestock products sub-indexes.

Grain and oilseed prices continued to fall in March causing the sub-indexes for these commodity groups to fall by 3.2% and 2.6% respectively. This resulted in a 2.5% decrease in the total crops sub-index. Corn and western non-board grain prices decreased for the second month in a row. Wheat prices decreased in the Prairies in March, reflecting deliveries of lower quality wheat. Soybean prices were relatively unchanged but flaxseed and canola/rapeseed prices were more than 2% below the February level. Potato prices also recorded a decline at the national level. The only crop-related sub-index to show an increase in March was tobacco, due to an increase in the price received by producers from flue-cured tobacco sold by auction.

The total livestock and livestock products sub-index fell 0.9%, led by 5.6% and 7.6% decreases in hog and lamb prices. Cattle and poultry prices were almost unchanged in March at the national level. The March 1986 cattle and hog sub-indexes are 3.1% and 2.2% lower than at the same period in 1985.

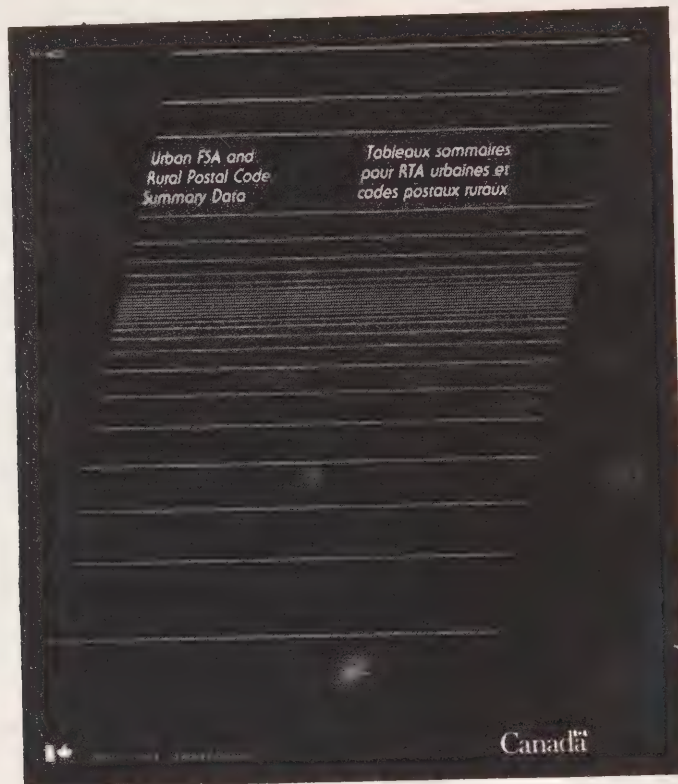
Provincially, the indexes in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and British Columbia were higher than those in February, reflecting higher cattle and potato prices, while all other provinces had lower indexes:

● Prince Edward Island	-0.4%
● Nova Scotia	0.1%
● New Brunswick	2.4%
● Quebec	-0.9%
● Ontario	-1.1%
● Manitoba	-1.4%
● Saskatchewan	-3.1%
● Alberta	-1.6%
● British Columbia	0.4%

The index is designed to measure (as closely as can be determined) changes in prices received by producers at the farm gate or first local delivery point. Current initial prices are used for Western wheat, oats and barley from August 1985 through March 1986. Sub-indexes for livestock, crops and their components are also available on a provincial basis.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 176 and table 00190202.

Order the March issue of *Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products* (62-003, \$6/\$60), scheduled for release May 23. Contact: Paul Murray (613-990-8706), Farm Income and Prices Section, Agriculture/ Natural Resources Division.



Urban FSA and Rural Postal Code Summary Data, 1984

This new publication presents a portrait of the tax filers of 7,000 specific postal code areas. The data present population characteristics for 27 variables, including age group, sex, income and labour force status. It will prove to be an important tool for market researchers and direct mail marketers.

This invaluable reference document for Canadian marketers describes 1,000 urban Forward Sortation Areas (FSA, the first three characters of the postal code); the remaining 6,000 are defined by rural postal codes. It is available in five editions: one for all of Canada and one for each of the four major regions.

Order *Urban FSA and Rural Postal Code Summary Data, 1984* (Catalogue number 17-602). This catalogue is available in five editions. Issue no. 86-000 (Canada package, 432 pages) is \$275 in Canada and \$295 in other countries. The remaining issues are \$100 (per region) in Canada and \$112 in other countries: 86-001 (Atlantic Provinces, 90 pages); 86-002 (Quebec, 126 pages); 86-003 (Ontario, 148 pages); 86-004 (Western Provinces and Territories, 150 pages).

Data Availability Announcements

Cable Television

1985

Preliminary results show cable television revenues for the year ending August 31, 1984 were \$673 million, up 13% from \$595 million in the preceding fiscal year.

Programming, technical, sales and administrative expenses increased 10% to \$406 million from \$368 million a year earlier. Depreciation was estimated at \$102 million, interest at \$74 million and other income was \$2 million. Pre-tax profits totalled \$94 million compared to \$70 million in 1984.

Order the Vol. 16, No. 2 *Communications Service Bulletin* (56-001, \$6.50/\$39), available the week of May 12. Contact: J.R. Slattery (613-990-8693), Services Division.

International Seaborne Statistics

1985

Preliminary international seaborne statistics for 1985 show total cargo tonnage amounted to 204 290 885, a slight decrease from the 1984 level of 205 394 677 tonnes.

Total cargo tonnes (in thousands) handled by the top 10 ports for 1985 were as follows, with the totals for the year 1984 in brackets:

● Vancouver	52 125	(53 882)
● Port Cartier	18 416	(17 417)
● Sept-Îles	14 855	(14 109)
● Montreal	11 863	(11 213)
● Halifax	9 509	(8 224)
● Prince Rupert	9 304	(7 697)
● Saint John	6 542	(6 151)
● Nanticoke	6 212	(7 360)
● Quebec City	5 826	(6 209)
● Hamilton	5 691	(6 745)

Preliminary tables are available on request. Contact: Jeanine Bustros (613-990-8696), Marine Transport Unit, Transportation Division.

Railway Carloadings

Nine Days Ending April 30, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the nine days ending April 30, 1986 totalled 6.6 million tonnes, an increase of 0.2% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 16 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release the week of May 12. Contact: Wayne Reinhard (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Particleboard, Waferboard and Hardboard

March 1986

Canadian firms produced 128 649 cubic metres of waferboard in March 1986, an increase of 20.5% from the 106 790 cubic metres produced during March 1985.

Particleboard production totalled 102 369 cubic metres in March 1986, up 7.7% from the 95 087 (revised) cubic metres produced during the same period in 1985.

Production of hardboard during March 1986 reached 47,920,000 square feet, 1/8-inch basis, an increase of 28.0% from the 37,440,000 square feet, 1/8-inch basis produced a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 122 (series 8 and 34).

Order the March 1986 issue of *Particleboard, Waferboard and Hardboard* (36-003, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of May 19. Contact: Katherine Blais (613-991-3531), Industry Division.

Notifiable Diseases Summary

April 12, 1986

Statistics on notifiable diseases as well as new cases for the four-week period ending April 12, 1986 are now available by sex and five-year age group for Canada and the provinces.

Available on CANSIM: cross-classified table 00050123.

Contact: Leslie Gaudette (613-991-1769), Health Division.



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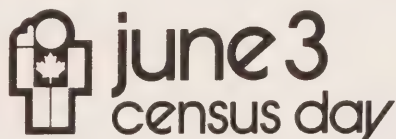
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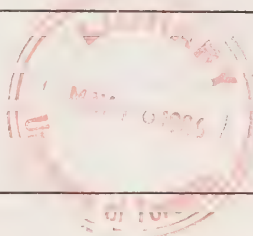
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Machinery and Equipment Price Index, First Quarter 1986 2

- Prices for new machinery and equipment purchased by Canadian industry increased 1.0% from the fourth quarter of 1985 and 3.9% on a year-over-year basis

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Occupational Mortality in British Columbia 1950-1978

This publication is the first province-wide analysis of occupational mortality risks in Canada. The authors used information on usual lifetime occupation recorded on death registrations for residents of British Columbia who died between 1950 and 1978. Proportionate mortality ratios (PMR) were used to detect unusual patterns of mortality.

Although the data represent only one province, the wide range of occupations in British Columbia makes the publication useful to the country as a whole. These data are a valuable source of information both for generating and testing hypotheses regarding associations between occupation and cause of death.

Order *Occupational Mortality in British Columbia, 1950-1978*, by R.P. Gallagher, W.J. Threlfall, P.R. Band, J.J. Spinelli and A.J. Coldman (84-544, \$18), available today from Publication Sales and Service (613-993-7276). For more information contact: Joan Lindsay (613-991-1740) Vital Statistics and Health Status, Health Division, or Dr. Pierre Band (604-877-6000, extension 5105), Cancer Control Agency of British Columbia.

Major Release

Machinery and Equipment Price Index

First Quarter 1986

The Machinery and Equipment Price Index (MEPI, 1971 = 100) stood at a preliminary level of 305.1 in the first quarter of 1986, up 1.0% from the fourth quarter of 1985. The domestic prices component rose 1.0% as did the import index. In the latter case, a weakening of the Canadian dollar against the U.S. dollar was mainly responsible for the increase.

From the first quarter of 1985 to the first quarter of 1986, the total index increased 3.9%, down from the 4.8% four-quarter change registered previously. Prices for domestically produced machinery and equipment increased 3.5% while imported goods prices rose 4.2%, largely due to the Canadian dollar, which was weaker against its American counterpart.

On a quarterly basis, price movements for new machinery and equipment purchased by industries in the latest quarter ranged from a 0.1% rise in the finance, insurance and real estate industry to a jump of 2.3% for goods purchased by the agriculture industry.

Price movements over the first quarter of 1985 varied from an increase of 1.9% for the fishing industry to a 4.4% hike registered by the community, business and personal services industry.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 4000, 4002 and 4027.

Order the first quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in June. Contact: L. Graham (613-990-9601), Prices Division.

Machinery and Equipment Price Indexes (1971 = 100)

	Relative importance ¹	1 st Q. 1986 *	4 th Q. 1985 *	% Change	
				1 st Q. '86/ 4 th Q. '85	1 st Q. '86/ 1 st Q. '85
Machinery and equipment price index:	100.0	305.1	302.1	1.0	3.9
SIC divisions:					
1. Agriculture	10.3	286.5	280.1	2.3	4.3
2. Forestry	0.7	323.7	321.9	0.6	2.7
3. Fishing	0.6	325.1	323.1	0.6	1.9
4. Mines, quarries and oil wells	6.5	361.3	358.8	0.7	3.4
5. Manufacturing	30.4	340.2	336.9	1.0	4.3
6. Construction	4.1	296.4	293.8	0.9	2.9
7. Transportation, communication, storage and utilities	25.5	294.7	292.0	0.9	3.4
8. Trade	4.8	276.7	275.4	0.5	3.7
9. Finance, insurance and real estate	1.5	240.2	239.9	0.1	3.3
10. Community, business and personal services	9.4	234.8	232.6	0.9	4.4
11. Public administration	6.2	294.1	291.3	1.0	4.3

¹ Division weights are based on 1971 value of capitalized expenditures on new machinery and equipment by industry (Survey of Private and Public Investment in Canada, 1971).

* These indexes are preliminary.

Data Availability Announcements

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

March 1986

Factory shipments of steel wire and specified wire products for March 1986 are now available as are production and export market data for selected commodities.

Shipments of plain, uncoated steel wire totalled 25 003 tonnes during March 1986, an increase of 2.7% from the 24 336 tonnes shipped the previous year.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 122 (series 19).

Order the March 1986 issue of *Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products* (41-006, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of May 19. Contact: Michel J. Cormier (613-991-3522), Industry Division.

Sugar Sales

April 1986

Canadian sugar refiners reported total sales in April of 82 499 958 kilograms of all types of sugar, comprising 78 798 263 kilograms in domestic sales and 3 701 695 kilograms in export sales.

This compares to total sales of 80 366 801 kilograms in April 1985, of which 76 278 809 kilograms were in domestic sales and 4 087 992 kilograms in export sales.

Order the April 1986 issue of *The Sugar Situation* (32-013, \$4/\$40), to be released by June 6. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Grain Marketing Situation Report

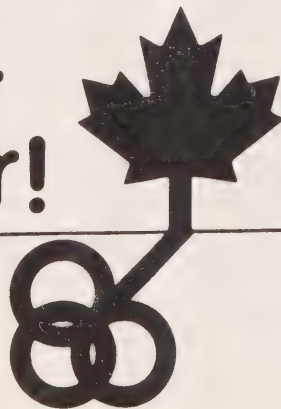
April 1986

The situation report for April is now available for release. This report presents up-to-date information on the Canadian and world grain supply and market situation.

Contact: Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Room 600, 266 Graham Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4.

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Occupational Mortality in

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A.J. Coldman

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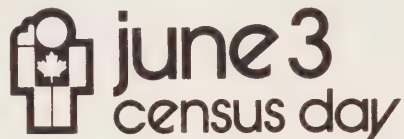
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Therapeutic Abortions

1984

Canada's 10 provinces and two territories reported 62,291 therapeutic abortions for 1984, up from the 61,800 therapeutic abortions reported in 1983 but down from 66,319 therapeutic abortions in 1982. The therapeutic abortion rate (number of therapeutic abortions per 100 live births) was 16.5 for 1984, unchanged from the rate of 1983 and down from 17.8 for 1982.

Demographic and medical characteristics of the 61,822 Canadian women who obtained therapeutic abortions in Canada during 1984 are as follows:

- Concerning marital status – 66.6% were single, 20% were married and 13.4% were either separated, divorced, widowed, living in a common-law relationship, or did not indicate their marital status.
- Of the total women, 23.6% were under 20 years of age, 54.8% were between 20 and 29 years and the remaining 11.6% were 30 years of age and over.

- Sixty per cent of the women had no deliveries prior to the present therapeutic abortion, 36% had between one to three previous deliveries and 2% had at least four previous deliveries.
- At the time of therapeutic abortion the duration of pregnancy was: under 13 weeks for 88% of the women, between 13 to 16 weeks for 8.6% of the women, 17 to 20 weeks for 3.1% of the women and over 20 weeks for 0.3% of the women.
- Only 2% of the total cases were reported to have a complication related to the therapeutic abortion.

Order *Therapeutic Abortions, Canada, 1983 and 1984* (82-211, \$20), available today. Contact: S. Wadhera (613-991-1639), or J. Silins (613-990-8553), Vital Statistics and Health Status Section, Health Division.

Value of Farm Capital 1985

The value of farm capital in Canada totalled \$115.3 billion in 1985, down 6.3% from 1984. Values of land and buildings decreased by 7.0% to \$88.4 billion; implements and machinery decreased by 2.0% to \$18.5 billion and livestock and poultry were down 8.0% to \$8.4 billion.

Value per Acre of Farm Land and Buildings, 1985

The average value of farm land and buildings in Canada was \$526 per acre, down 7.4% from July 1984. Values fell in seven provinces: Saskatchewan (-10%), Ontario (-7%), Alberta (-6%), Quebec (-5%), Manitoba (-5%), British Columbia (-5%) and Nova Scotia (-2%). There were no changes for Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick. It should

be noted that regional trends in land values within provinces may vary considerably from provincial averages. These variations can often be explained by such factors as type of soil, type and size of farm operation, proximity to urban areas and local economic conditions.

Estimates of value per acre of farm land and buildings have been compiled on the basis of several data sources, including values of farm land and buildings from the censuses of Agriculture and the National Farm Survey and summaries of data on farm land and building transactions reported by provincial governments and the Farm Credit Corporation.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 249-259.

Contact: May Holbein (613-990-8706), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Value of Farm Capital, 1985 (thousands of dollars)

	Livestock and poultry ¹	Land and buildings	Implements and machinery	Total
Newfoundland	10,861	84,471	13,900	109,232
Prince Edward Island	71,201	411,186	158,991	641,378
Nova Scotia	123,136	564,677	160,575	848,388
New Brunswick	90,417	413,483	154,488	658,388
Quebec	1,503,937	6,037,763	1,874,507	9,416,207
Ontario	2,086,890	21,014,434	3,705,632	26,806,956
Manitoba	687,827	6,102,145	1,984,211	8,774,183
Saskatchewan	1,155,190	22,482,825	5,177,259	28,815,274
Alberta	2,177,334	24,866,728	4,464,253	31,508,315
British Columbia	491,227	6,409,330	796,890	7,697,447
Canada	8,398,020	88,387,042	18,490,706	115,275,768

¹ Includes value of animals on fur farms.

Value per Acre of Farm Land and Buildings, 1984 and 1985 (dollars)

	1984	1985	% change
Newfoundland	1,022	1,022	0
Prince Edward Island	588	588	0
Nova Scotia	501	491	-2
New Brunswick	382	382	0
Quebec	680	646	-5
Ontario	1,515	1,409	-7
Manitoba	336	319	-5
Saskatchewan	381	343	-10
Alberta	529	497	-6
British Columbia	1,106	1,051	-5
Canada	568	526	-7.4

Data Availability Announcements

Income Estimates for Subprovincial Areas

1983

Aggregate and per-capita income data for counties or census divisions (CDs), and for subprovincial regions (SPRs) with subtotals for census metropolitan areas (CMAs) are now available in tabular form. There are eight tables covering 35 pages.

The price for the complete package of tables is \$15. Individual tables can be purchased for \$0.50 per page with a minimum charge of \$10.

Contact: Horst E. Alter (613-990-9730), Labour and Household Surveys Analysis Division.

Steel Ingots

Week Ending May 10, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending May 10, 1986 totalled 288 132 tonnes, an increase of 4.4% from the preceding week's total of 275 935 tonnes but down 1.3% from the year-earlier level of 292 060 tonnes.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Stocks of Frozen Poultry Products

May 1986

Preliminary figures on cold storage of frozen poultry products at May 1, 1986 and revised figures for April 1, 1986 are now available.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5675-5677.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release the week of June 2. Contact: P. Beerstecher (613-990-8716), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Construction Type Plywood

March 1986

Canadian firms produced 214,979,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis (190 234 cubic metres, 9.525 millimetres basis) of construction type plywood during March, an increase of 12.2% over the 191,616,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis (169 562 cubic metres, 9.525 millimetres basis) produced during March 1985.

January to March 1986 production totalled 606,332,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis (536 542 cubic metres, 9.525 millimetres basis), up 9.2% from the 554,957,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis (491 082 cubic metres, 9.525 millimetres basis) produced during the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 122 (level 1).

Order the March 1986 issue of *Construction Type Plywood* (35-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of May 19. Contact: Jock Dobie (604-666-2671), British Columbia and Yukon Regional Office, Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 3C9.

Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings

March 1986

Steel pipe and tubing production for the month of March 1986 totalled 110 410 tonnes, a decrease of 19.0% from the comparable month's total in 1985 of 136 390 tonnes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 35.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings* (41-001, \$4/40), to be released the last week of May. Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Exports by Commodities

March 1986

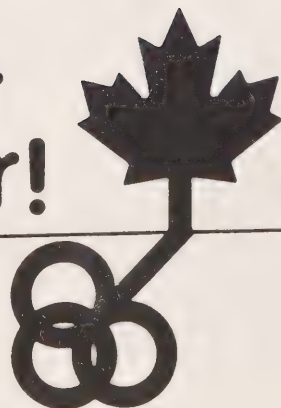
Commodity-country export trade statistics for March 1986 are now available on microfiche, computer printouts or magnetic tapes in advance of the monthly publication.

Available on CANSIM (for selected information): matrices 3686-3713 and 3719.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, \$50/\$500), available the last week of May 1986. Contact: G. L. Blaney (613-990-9647), International Trade Division.

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January 1986

Catalogue number 64-001

(Canada: \$20/\$200; Other Countries: \$21/\$210)

Unemployment Insurance

Statistics, February 1986

Catalogue number 73-001

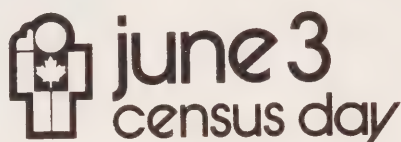
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Therapeutic Abortions,

1983 and 1984

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Major Release

Human Activity and the Environment 2

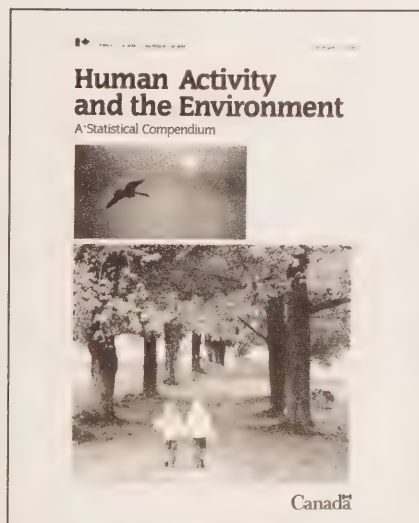
- Statistics Canada's new publication is the most comprehensive compilation of statistics about the Canadian environment ever published

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Human Activity and the Environment: A Statistical Compendium



Statistics Canada's new publication is a comprehensive statistical description of the variety and intensity of human ventures that affect Canada's ecosystem. This compendium of environmental, social and economic data has been compiled from a variety of sources, including Statistics Canada, Environment Canada and federal and provincial government agencies.

Human Activity and the Environment is designed to help Canadians understand the breadth and complexity of the interaction between ourselves and the world of nature. As such, it documents everything from population movements to mining to industrial emissions to airports. It also examines attempts to protect our environment as well as looking at public opinions on major pollution problems.

Human Activity and the Environment is a valuable statistical reference for scientific researchers, policy-makers and the general public alike. It contains 172 tables, 66 charts and 77 maps, many in colour. For more details on this publication, see page 2 of today's *Daily*.

Major Release

Human Activity and the Environment – A Statistical Compendium

What quantities of pollutants are being produced and where are they coming from? How is the Canadian landscape being transformed? To what extent is pressure being placed on the environment by the use of renewable resources?

Statistics which will help to answer these and many other environmentally-relevant questions are to be found in the new statistical compendium *Human Activity and the Environment*. Containing 375 pages of tables, charts and maps, the publication is the most comprehensive compilation of statistics about the Canadian environment ever published.

The report draws on statistics from the many federal and provincial agencies engaged in environmental research and monitoring in providing a statistical picture of Canada's physical environment with special emphasis on the relationship between human activities and other elements of the natural system, such as air, water, soils, plants and animals.

At the core of the document however is the wide variety of information relevant for environmental reporting which is collected by Statistics Canada. A number of these data sets have been reformatted to enhance their value for describing and analyzing activities and processes contributing to environmental change.

Colourful, straightforward presentations assist in making patterns and trends clear for a non-technical audience. The comprehensive nature of *Human Activity and the Environment* makes it a useful environmental reference. At the same time, it will serve as a guide to the many sources of more detailed statistics on any number of environmental topics.

Copies of *Human Activity and the Environment* are available from Publication Sales and Services (11-509E, \$45). For more information, contact: The Structural Analysis Division (613-990-8586).

Environment Canada and Statistics Canada have also combined efforts to prepare *The State of the Environment Report for Canada*, the first nationwide assessment of current environmental conditions and trends. A selection of the data contained in *Human Activity and the Environment* is analyzed in this report. In addition *The State of the Environment Report* examines the relationship between contaminants and human health, environmental concerns for Canada which are global in scope and Canadians' perceptions about their environment. *The State of the Environment Report for Canada* contains 263 pages of narrative plus a number of related tables, charts and maps. For more information contact: the Enquiries Centre (819-997-2800), Environment Canada.

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Air Carrier Fare Basis Statistics 1985

Preliminary data reported by five major Canadian air carriers – Air Canada, CP Air, Pacific Western Airlines, Nordair and Eastern Provincial Airways indicate that 53.4% of passengers carried on domestic scheduled services travelled on a fare involving some form of discount relative to the regular economy fare in 1985, up from 49.5% in 1984. In terms of passenger-kilometres, discount fares accounted for 60.2% of the total in 1985, up from 57.9% in 1984.

Long-haul services in the domestic southern sector showed the highest rate of discount fare utilization – 63.6% of passengers in this traffic category travelled on a discount fare in 1985. (This is on city-pairs, within the "deregulated" zone as defined in the new 1984 Canadian Air Policy, involving distances of 800 kilometres or more as determined by the flight coupon origin and destination.)

Order the June 1986 (Vol. 18, No. 5) issue of the *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), scheduled for release the week of June 2. Contact: Lisa Di Piéto (819-997-6176), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation Division.

Oil Pipeline Transport February 1986

Net receipts of crude oil, condensates, pentanes plus, liquefied petroleum gases and petroleum products through Canadian oil pipelines during February 1986 increased 1.5% to 11 644 098 cubic metres from 11 475 378 cubic metres a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 181.

Order the February 1986 issue of *Oil Pipeline Transport* (55-001, \$8/\$80), available the fourth week of May. Contact: G. O'Connor (613-991-3562), Industry Division.

Apparent Per Capita Food Consumption in Canada 1984 and 1985

Estimates on apparent per capita food consumption in Canada for 1984 and 1985 are now available for products in the following food groups: cereals, beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic), dairy products and by-products, red meats and poultry and eggs.

Available on CANSIM: tables 00190101, 00190109-00190111, 00190113 and 00190114.

Order *Apparent Per Capita Food Consumption in Canada – Part 1 – 1985* (32-229, \$25), available the first week of June. Contact: A. Mathieson (613-991-3854), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

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**Human Activity and the Environment,
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Current Economic Indicators,

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**Shipments of Solid Fuel Burning Heating
Products, Quarter Ended March 1986**

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January 1, 1986

Catalogue number 32-010

(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Footwear Statistics, March 1986

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(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

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March 1986**

Catalogue number 36-004

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**Specified Domestic Electrical
Appliances, March 1986**

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**Production and Sales of Phonograph
Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in
Canada, February 1986**

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**Railway Carloadings, 7-day Period
Ending April 21, 1986**

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The Consumer Price Index, April 1986

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(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Available May 16, 1986 at 7:00 a.m.

**Department Store Sales and Stocks,
February 1986**

Catalogue number 63-002

(Canada: \$13/\$130; Other Countries: \$14/\$140)

**Restaurant, Caterer and Tavern
Statistics, January 1986**

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- The CPI year-to-year increase was 3.9%, down from the 4.1% reported in March

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Transactions in Outstanding Securities with Non-residents, March 1986

- Net sales to non-residents of outstanding Canadian bonds rose by \$153 million to \$375 million

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Sales of Refined Petroleum Products, March 1986

- Sales of refined petroleum products in Canada were down 2.7% from a year earlier

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Consumer Price Index

April 1986

National Highlights

The all-items Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Canada rose by 0.2% between March and April to a level of 131.1 (1981 = 100). This moderate increase in the general price level was the same as that observed in the previous month. The rise in the latest month was the net result of a considerable number of offsetting price movements. Four of the seven major component indexes registered increases with the largest upward contribution coming from rises of 1.1% in the food index and 2.3% in the tobacco products and alcoholic beverages index. The upward pressure was largely dampened by a fall of 1.6% in the transportation index and to a far lesser extent, by a decline of 0.3% in the clothing index. The housing index registered no change in April.

On a seasonally adjusted basis the all-items index showed no change between March and April.

The year-to-year increase in the CPI between April 1985 and April 1986 was 3.9%, down from the 4.1% observed for the last two 12-month periods ending in February and March. The compounded annual rate based on the seasonally adjusted indexes for the previous three-month period (January to April) was 1.9% – the lowest this measure has been since October 1984 – and down markedly from the 3.4% compounded rate based on the three-month period ending in March. This highlights the recent deceleration in consumer price increases which was mostly attributable to the decline in oil prices.

Food

Between March and April, the food index advanced by 1.1%, following an increase of 0.2% observed between February and March. The latest increase reflected an advance of 1.2% in the index for food purchased from stores and a rise of 0.5% in the index for food purchased from restaurants. A considerable part of the increase observed in the former was due to seasonally higher prices for fresh fruit (mostly apples, bananas and grapefruit) and fresh vegetables (mostly lettuce, celery, carrots and

potatoes). The seasonal effect was due, in part, to wholesalers shifting to higher priced imported produce as stocks of locally grown storable products approached depletion. The higher prices for lettuce and bananas also reflect adverse weather conditions experienced in growing countries in April. Noticeable price increases were also observed for coffee, sugar, selected bakery and dairy products, breakfast cereal, pork, turkey and prepared and ready-cooked meat. Beef prices fell, on average, partly due to current excess supply in the market, and partly in anticipation of herd-culling aimed at reducing milk production in the United States.

Over the 12-month period, April 1985 to April 1986, the food index rose by 2.6%, down slightly from the increase of 2.8% reported in the previous 12-month period ending in March. The latest increase resulted from a rise of 1.9% in the index for food purchased from stores and an advance of 4.6% in the index for food purchased from restaurants.

All-items excluding Food

On a month-to-month basis, the all-items excluding food index fell by 0.1% in April, compared to a rise of 0.3% reported in March. The latest change was the result of largely counterbalancing price movements. The effect of a 1.6% decline in the transportation index, complemented by a drop of 0.3% in the clothing index, was offset to a large extent by rises of 2.3% in the tobacco products and alcoholic beverages index, 0.9% in the health and personal care index, and 0.3% in the recreation, reading and education index. The contribution from the housing index was neutral in net terms as no change was observed in April.

The decline of 1.6% in the transportation index was mainly due to a fall of 10.9% in gasoline prices, principally reflecting lower crude oil prices in international markets. Air fares also registered a slight seasonal decline. The transportation index was prevented from falling further than it did by higher prices for some new automobiles, vehicle repairs and maintenance, automobile insurance, and local bus transportation in four cities.

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The Consumer Price Index and Major Components (Not Seasonally Adjusted), Canada
(1981 = 100)

	Indexes			Percentage change April 1986 from	
	April 1986	March 1986	April 1985	March 1986	April 1985
All-items	131.1	130.9	126.2	0.2	3.9
Food	124.8	123.5	121.6	1.1	2.6
All-items excluding food	132.9	133.0	127.5	-0.1	4.2
Housing	131.8	131.8	128.1	0.0	2.9
Clothing	118.4	118.7	115.3	-0.3	2.7
Transportation	133.3	135.5	129.4	-1.6	3.0
Health and personal care	131.5	130.3	126.2	0.9	4.2
Recreation, reading and education	128.8	128.4	123.1	0.3	4.6
Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages	171.3	167.5	146.1	2.3	17.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar expressed in cents, compared to 1981	76.3	76.4	79.2		
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1971 = 100	310.6				

The tobacco products and alcoholic beverages index advanced by a sharp 2.3% in April, compared to a rise of 0.9% reported in March. An increase in the federal manufacturers' sales tax (from 14% to 15%), effective April 1 and the lagged implementation in some provinces of the February 27 increase in the federal excise taxes were the principal causes of the latest advance. In addition, provincial taxes on cigarettes rose in Saskatchewan and British Columbia. Prices of imported wines and spirits were also affected by a depreciation in the Canadian dollar exchange rate.

The housing index registered no change in April, as a result of a sharp 10.7% decline in fuel oil prices, offset by advances mainly in rented and owned accommodation costs, seasonal rate increases in hotel/motel accommodation and higher prices for child care services, paper products and selected household appliances. Rent increases were dampened somewhat by rental rebates in Ontario. The owned accommodation index rose mainly due to higher new house prices in some Ontario cities and increases in homeowners' insurance premiums.

Over the 12-month period, April 1985 to April 1986, the all-items excluding food index advanced by 4.2%, a deceleration compared to the rise of 4.5% observed in the previous 12-month period ending in March.

Goods and Services

The goods index fell by 0.2% in April (largely due to lower prices for gasoline and fuel oil) while the services index increased by 0.5%. Between April 1985 and April 1986, the goods index increased by 3.0% and the services index by 4.9%.

City Highlights

Between March and April changes in the all-items index for cities for which CPI's are published ranged from a decline of 0.3% observed in Charlottetown/Summerside and in Victoria to an increase of 0.4% in Montreal and Winnipeg. The low in Charlottetown/Summerside was largely due to a sharp fall in the housing index, while in Victoria it resulted mainly from greater than average declines in the housing, clothing, and transportation indexes.

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The higher overall rise in Montreal resulted from relatively larger increases in the indexes for food, clothing, and tobacco and alcohol. In the case of Winnipeg, the above-average increase was largely due to a sharper rise in food prices than elsewhere.

Over the 12-month period, April 1985 to April 1986, the increases in the all-items indexes across cities varied from a low of 1.0% noted in Regina to a high of 5.1% registered in both Quebec City and Montreal.

Main Contributors to Monthly Changes in the All-items Index, by City

St. John's

The all-items index declined 0.2%, mainly due to lower prices for fuel oil, gasoline and clothing. Partially offsetting these declines were higher prices for cigarettes, alcoholic beverages and new cars, as well as higher household operation costs and increased charges for rented and owned accommodation. Advances in the cost of furniture, appliances, dental care and certain recreational goods also contributed some upward impact. The food component advanced, as higher prices for chicken, fresh produce, coffee and restaurant meals more than offset lower prices for beef, milk and soft drinks. Since April 1985, the all-items index has risen 3.1%.

Charlottetown/Summerside

The decline of 0.3% in the all-items index was largely the result of lower prices for gasoline, fuel oil, electricity and clothing – especially for men's wear. Higher prices for new cars and for alcoholic beverages partly offset these declines, as did higher food prices, especially for pork, fresh produce, soft drinks and restaurant meals. Advances in rented and traveller accommodation costs and higher furniture prices also exerted an upward impact. Since April 1985, the all-items index has risen 1.9%.

Halifax

Higher prices for food (especially for chicken, fish, fresh produce and restaurant meals), new cars, cigarettes, alcoholic beverages and men's and women's wear explained most of the 0.2% rise in the all-items index. Increased charges

for dental care, personal care supplies and home entertainment equipment, as well as higher costs for rented and owned accommodation were also noted. A large part of the upward movement was offset by lower prices for fuel oil and gasoline. Between April 1985 and April 1986 the all-items index advanced 3.2%.

Saint John

The all-items index fell 0.2%, mainly reflecting lower prices for gasoline and fuel oil. The food index advanced, as higher prices for pork, fresh produce and restaurant meals were only partly offset by lower prices for beef, chicken, cured and prepared meats and sugar. Rented, owned and traveller accommodation costs rose, as did the prices of new cars, clothing, cigarettes and alcoholic beverages. From April 1985 to April 1986, the all-items index rose 4.4%.

Quebec City

Higher prices for cigarettes and alcoholic beverages and increased food prices, especially for beef, bakery products, fresh produce, sugar, coffee and restaurant meals explained most of the 0.3% rise in the all-items index. Rented, owned and traveller accommodation charges increased, as did the price of women's wear, new cars, vehicle insurance coverage and vehicle repairs. Fuel oil and gasoline prices declined, exerting a notable offsetting effect. Between April 1985 and April 1986, the all-items index advanced 5.1%.

Montreal

The all-items index rose 0.4%, mainly due to higher prices for food and alcoholic beverages. The rise in the food index was largely the result of higher prices for fresh produce, pork, poultry, coffee, and restaurant meals. The transportation component also advanced, mainly reflecting higher prices for new cars and vehicle repairs and increased vehicle insurance premiums. The cost of owned accommodation rose as well. Partly offsetting these advances were declines in gasoline and fuel oil prices. Between April 1985 and April 1986, the all-items index rose 5.1%.

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Ottawa

The 0.2% rise in the all-items index was largely explained by higher prices for cigarettes and beer, increased costs of dental care and non-prescribed medicines, higher traveller accommodation charges and higher prices for furniture and for household textiles and equipment. Food prices also advanced, mainly due to higher prices for fresh produce, poultry, prepared meats and pork. Lower prices for fuel oil, clothing and home-entertainment equipment had a dampening effect, as did the transportation component, which registered an overall decline as lower prices for gasoline more than offset higher prices for new cars and a rise in local transit fares. Since April 1985, the all-items index has risen 3.9%.

Toronto

The all-items index rose by a marginal 0.1%. Among the factors contributing an upward impact were higher food prices (especially for fresh produce, cereal products, cured and prepared meats and restaurant meals) and increased accommodation costs. The price of cigarettes and beer purchased from stores advanced, as did the cost of dental care and personal care supplies. Increased prices for new cars, household furnishings and equipment and selected household operation costs also exerted an upward impact. An offsetting effect resulted from lower prices for gasoline, fuel oil and men's wear. Since April 1985, the all-items index has risen 3.9%.

Thunder Bay

The all-items index rose slightly (0.1%), with increases registered in all major components except transportation. In the housing component, increases were observed in the cost of owned and traveller accommodation and household operation, and in furniture, textiles and household equipment prices, moderated partially by a fall in fuel oil prices. Higher recreational expenses, increased dental care charges and higher overall food prices also contributed to the upward movement. Advances in beer and cigarette prices were observed. The transportation component declined on average, as lower gasoline prices

more than offset higher prices for new cars and increased vehicle insurance and repair costs. Since April 1985, the all-items index has risen 3.2%.

Winnipeg

Higher food prices (especially for bakery products, fresh produce, soft drinks and restaurant meals), increased accommodation costs and higher prices for alcoholic beverages largely explained the 0.4% rise in the all-items index. Advances in new car prices, cablevision rates, newspaper prices and telephone charges also had a significant upward impact. Partly offsetting these increases were declines in the prices of gasoline, furniture and clothing. Between April 1985 and April 1986, the all-items index has risen 4.0%.

Regina

The all-items index declined 0.2%, with most of the downward pressure due to lower prices for gasoline, clothing, household furniture and textiles. Lower prices for home-entertainment and recreational equipment also exerted a downward impact. Partly offsetting these declines were higher prices for cigarettes and alcoholic beverages, increased accommodation costs and higher prices for new cars. The food index advanced as well, as higher prices for fresh produce, coffee and dairy products were only partially offset by lower prices for beef, pork, fish and soft drinks. Since April 1985, the all-items index has risen 1.0%.

Saskatoon

Higher prices for cigarettes and alcoholic beverages, increased accommodation costs and higher prices for new cars and for food (most notably for fresh produce, sugar, coffee and soft drinks) explained most of the 0.2% rise in the all-items index. Advances in household operation costs, dental care charges and in the cost of non-prescribed medicine and personal care supplies were also noted. The prices of gasoline, furniture, appliances and clothing declined and exerted a significant dampening effect. Between April 1985 and April 1986, the all-items index has risen 3.6%.

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Edmonton

Among the main contributors to the 0.2% rise in the all-items index were higher prices for food (especially for bakery products and fresh produce), cigarettes, alcoholic beverages and new cars. Increased charges for travel tours, rented and traveller accommodation and dental care as well as higher prices for non-prescribed medicines and personal care supplies were noted. Partially offsetting these advances were lower prices for gasoline, men's wear, household textiles and home-entertainment equipment. Since April 1985, the all-items index has risen 2.9%.

Calgary

Price declines observed for gasoline, clothing, and home furnishings were the main contributing factors to the 0.1% drop in the all-items index. The declines noted were partly offset by higher prices for cigarettes, alcoholic beverages and new cars, as well as increased charges for rented, owned and traveller accommodation. In addition, increases in dental care costs and in the price of non-prescribed medicines were noted. Food prices rose, on average, mainly due to higher prices for poultry, bakery products, fresh produce, coffee and restaurant meals. Since April 1985, the all-items index has risen 3.1%.

Vancouver

The all-items index rose by a marginal 0.1%. Higher food prices contributed a major upward impact as did increases in the costs of cigarettes and alcoholic beverages. Charges for rented and traveller accommodation and for dental care advanced, as did new car prices,

local transit fares and selected recreational expenses. Moderating these advances were lower prices for gasoline and fuel oil and for clothing (especially women's wear) and decreased costs of owned accommodation. Since April 1985, the all-items index has risen 3.0%.

Victoria

The all-items index fell 0.3% largely as a result of lower prices for gasoline, fuel oil, clothing (especially for men's wear) and home-entertainment equipment. Owned accommodation costs also declined. Partly offsetting these declines were higher prices for cigarettes, alcoholic beverages, furniture and new cars, as well as increased costs of rented and traveller accommodation. Food prices also advanced, largely due to higher prices for chicken, dairy products, eggs, fresh produce and coffee. Since April 1985, the all-items index has risen 1.5%.

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Available on CANSIM: matrices 1922-1940.

Order the April 1986 issue of *The Consumer Price Index* (62-001, \$8/\$80), available today. Contact: Sandra Shadlock (613-990-9606), Prices Division.

Consumer Price Indexes for Urban Centres

The indexes in this table measure within each city the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.¹

	All-items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation	Health and personal care	Recreation reading and education	Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages
St. John's								
April 1986 index	131.1	115.9	132.7	126.2	135.4	130.2	127.7	174.5
% change from March 1986	-0.2	0.5	-0.6	-0.2	-0.9	0.2	0.3	1.9
% change from April 1985	3.1	2.8	0.7	2.1	4.6	3.7	3.6	12.4
Charlottetown/Summerside								
April 1986 index	126.2	116.4	125.5	116.9	128.5	134.4	132.2	165.1
% change from March 1986	-0.3	0.8	-1.2	-0.7	-1.1	0.4	0.5	2.0
% change from April 1985	1.9	2.0	-1.4	2.9	2.1	4.0	5.3	15.1
Halifax								
April 1986 index	130.7	115.8	133.7	117.9	133.7	137.7	135.1	168.4
% change from March 1986	0.2	1.0	-0.7	0.3	-0.4	1.4	0.5	1.8
% change from April 1985	3.2	1.4	1.4	1.8	2.8	3.3	5.3	16.9
Saint John								
April 1986 index	132.3	121.7	136.0	116.7	135.3	129.4	133.0	176.6
% change from March 1986	-0.2	0.3	-0.7	0.3	-1.4	1.0	0.3	3.1
% change from April 1985	4.4	3.8	1.3	3.0	6.6	3.6	5.6	19.5
Quebec City								
April 1986 index	133.3	126.0	136.5	119.5	134.2	132.4	122.2	177.9
% change from March 1986	0.3	1.9	-0.3	0.2	-1.9	-0.7	0.3	3.9
% change from April 1985	5.1	4.8	3.2	3.4	3.2	4.3	4.4	23.8
Montreal								
April 1986 index	133.1	126.3	134.2	118.3	137.5	131.7	125.8	181.2
% change from March 1986	0.4	1.4	-0.3	0.3	-1.1	1.2	0.1	4.0
% change from April 1985	5.1	4.6	3.2	2.9	2.8	6.1	4.2	26.9
Ottawa								
April 1986 index	132.2	122.1	137.2	118.3	135.6	130.4	127.6	166.2
% change from March 1986	0.2	0.6	-0.1	-0.5	-0.3	0.5	0.0	1.1
% change from April 1985	3.9	4.1	2.7	1.7	4.2	1.6	4.2	14.5
Toronto								
April 1986 index	132.7	127.9	133.6	121.0	134.9	133.9	129.4	168.2
% change from March 1986	0.1	0.5	0.1	-0.2	-1.7	1.6	0.2	1.1
% change from April 1985	3.9	1.0	3.8	3.5	4.1	4.9	4.8	13.3
Thunder Bay								
April 1986 index	131.5	125.8	133.1	117.1	133.4	133.6	127.5	162.4
% change from March 1986	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.1	-1.3	1.1	0.6	1.1
% change from April 1985	3.2	2.9	2.0	1.7	2.7	3.0	4.6	12.7
Winnipeg								
April 1986 index	129.4	118.8	133.2	117.1	129.0	127.0	131.1	172.5
% change from March 1986	0.4	1.6	0.2	-1.0	-1.0	0.7	0.3	2.6
% change from April 1985	4.0	3.7	3.1	2.8	1.6	4.4	6.0	15.8

Consumer Price Indexes for Urban Centres (continued)

The indexes in this table measure within each city the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.¹

	All-items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation	Health and personal care	Recreation, reading and education	Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages
Regina								
April 1986 index	126.3	113.9	133.0	114.4	118.8	134.5	126.7	164.9
% change from March 1986	-0.2	1.2	0.0	-3.3	-2.7	0.3	-0.5	6.0
% change from April 1985	1.0	-5.2	2.9	-1.3	-3.4	3.5	3.8	16.0
Saskatoon								
April 1986 index	127.9	116.3	131.6	117.7	125.7	130.1	129.4	162.7
% change from March 1986	0.2	2.0	0.2	-4.2	-1.6	0.9	0.3	4.9
% change from April 1985	3.6	1.9	3.9	-0.9	1.0	1.6	5.5	16.4
Edmonton								
April 1986 index	127.4	126.2	122.0	116.4	132.4	134.0	127.0	174.2
% change from March 1986	0.2	1.3	0.1	-0.4	-1.3	1.3	0.3	2.8
% change from April 1985	2.9	3.5	1.2	2.5	1.6	4.1	3.6	14.5
Calgary								
April 1986 index	126.6	123.2	122.0	112.5	133.3	137.5	127.0	169.5
% change from March 1986	-0.1	0.2	0.2	-0.8	-2.6	0.7	0.1	3.3
% change from April 1985	3.1	2.2	1.5	2.5	3.6	4.7	3.8	13.7
Vancouver								
April 1986 index	128.1	124.8	123.5	118.9	133.5	127.3	135.5	160.9
% change from March 1986	0.1	1.5	0.0	-0.7	-1.9	1.0	0.7	1.4
% change from April 1985	3.0	2.4	1.6	1.2	1.9	2.1	6.2	14.8
Victoria²								
April 1986 index	103.2	104.3	100.2	102.8	102.9	104.0	105.7	116.0
% change from March 1986	-0.3	1.1	-0.5	-0.8	-2.0	0.5	0.0	1.0
% change from April 1985	1.5	1.7	-0.5	1.4	-0.6	3.1	4.2	13.0

¹ For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials, refer to Table 24 of *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (62-010, \$15.00/\$60.00)*.

² December 1984 = 100

Transactions in Outstanding Securities with Non-residents

March 1986

Net sales to non-residents of outstanding Canadian bonds in March rose by \$153 million to \$375 million. The gross value of bonds traded nearly doubled to \$7.1 billion, following a surge in trading activity with Japan. Net bond sales to Japan doubled to over \$200 million. Net sales of outstanding Canadian stocks increased by nearly \$300 million to \$483 million in March, largely from transactions with the United States. Foreign investment in the Canadian secondary market was strong throughout the first quarter, producing a net capital inflow of some \$2.0 billion, compared to about \$700 million in the fourth quarter of 1985.

Net purchases of outstanding foreign stocks by residents amounted to \$85 million in March, compared to \$43 million in the previous month. The increase in investments was directed to overseas markets. Residents reduced, however, their holdings of foreign bonds, with net sales amounting to \$95 million.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Security Transactions with Non-residents* (67-002, \$15/\$150), available in June 1986. Contact: J. Motala (613-990-9052), Balance of Payments, International and Financial Economics Division.

Transactions in Outstanding Securities with Non-residents

March 1986

Type of issue	Sales to Non-residents	Purchases from Non-residents	Net Sales (+)
(\$ millions)			
Canadian securities:			
Bonds	3,760	3,385	375
Common and preferred stocks	1,558	1,075	483
Total - March 1986	5,318	4,461	858
Total - February 1986	2,986	2,573	413
Foreign securities:			
Bonds	2,594	2,499	95
Common and preferred stocks	1,695	1,779	-85
Total - March 1986	4,289	4,278	11
Total - February 1986	3,985	4,042	-56

Sales of Refined Petroleum Products

March 1986

Preliminary figures show that in March 1986, sales of refined petroleum products in Canada amounted to 5 829 600 cubic metres, down 2.7% from a year earlier. Cumulative figures for the first three months of 1986 show sales of petroleum products were down 2.3% from a year earlier.

Sales of the main products, with the percentage change from March 1985 in brackets, were as follows: motor gasoline, 2 337 200 cubic metres (-4.1%); kerosene stove oil, 78 900 cubic metres (-6.1%); diesel fuel, 1 028 900 cubic metres (-4.5%); light fuel oil, 849 600 cubic metres (+0.8%) and heavy fuel oil, 419 700 cubic metres (-24.9%). Production of petroleum products by Canadian refiners amounted to 6 855 160 cubic metres, down 1.5% from March 1985.

For the first three months of 1986, sales of refined petroleum products amounted to 18 538 700 cubic metres. Year-to-date sales of the main products with the percentage change from January-March 1985 in brackets, were as follows: motor gasoline, 7 056 399 cubic metres (-3.1%); kerosene stove oil, 284 827 cubic metres (-12.8%); diesel fuel, 3 199 815 cubic metres (+1.0%); light fuel oil, 3 036 958 cubic metres (-10.7%) and heavy fuel oil, 1 809 455 cubic metres (-16.2%). Year-to-date production of petroleum products by Canadian refiners amounted to 21 278 226 cubic metres, up 4.3% from the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 628-641 and 644-647.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, \$15/\$150), available the first week of June. Contact: Gérard O'Connor (613-991-3562), Energy Section, Industry Division.

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1984 Census of Manufactures

			Manufacturing shipments		
Industry	1980 SIC	CANSIM Matrix	1983	1984	% Change
(Millions of dollars)					
1. Other commercial printing	2819	5498	2,802.0	3,374.5	20.4
2. Other publishing	2839	5501	762.2	881.4	15.6
3. Other manufactured products n.e.c.	3999	6897	643.2	702.8	9.3

The 1984 results for the *Census of Manufactures and the Census of Forestry* are now available for all industries. For further information please telephone the Industry Division (613-990-9835).

Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns March 1986

Restaurant, caterer and tavern receipts totalled \$1,004.6 million for March 1986, an increase of 6.6% over the \$942.3 million reported for the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 52.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns* (63-011, \$5/\$50), available the week of June 2. Contact: R. Lasnier (613-991-3489), Services Division.

Steel Ingots March 1986

Steel ingot production for March 1986 totalled 1 256 742 tonnes, a decrease of 3.0% from 1 295 916 tonnes the previous year.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 58 (level 2).

Order the March 1986 issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of May 26. Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Shipments of Rolled Steel March 1986

Rollled steel shipments for March 1986 totalled 1 026 347 tonnes, an increase of 9.8% from the preceding month's total of 934 692 (revised) tonnes but a decrease of 3.0% from the year-earlier level of 1 058 454 tonnes.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 58 (except level 2) and 122 (series 22-25).

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Imports by Commodities March 1986

Commodity-country import trade statistics for March 1986 are now available on microfiche, computer printouts or magnetic tapes in advance of the monthly publication.

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- Seasonally adjusted new orders decreased 6.1% from February. The unusually large drop in March coincided with a smaller number of trading days due to Easter occurring in March for the first time in eight years.

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Major Release

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries

March 1986

Highlights

- Preliminary estimates indicate that the seasonally adjusted value of shipments for all Canadian manufacturing industries decreased 5.5% to \$20,236.2 million in March from the revised estimate of \$21,414.5 million in February. This decrease followed a loss of 0.5% in February. Data users should note that the unusually large drop in March coincided with a smaller number of trading days due to Easter occurring in March for the first time in eight years.
- The seasonally adjusted value of new orders received in March decreased 6.1% to \$20,397.5 million from the February estimate of \$21,716.9 million.
- The seasonally adjusted unfilled orders backlog at the end of March was \$24,746.1 million, up 0.7% from the revised February estimate of \$24,584.8 million.
- Seasonally adjusted inventories owned by manufacturers at the end of March totalled

\$34,106.8 million, down 2.0% from the previous month's revised value of \$34,798.7 million.

- The ratio of seasonally adjusted total inventory owned to seasonally adjusted shipments rose from 1.63:1 in February to 1.69:1 in March.
- Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in March 1986 were estimated at \$21,106.8 million, 5.3% higher than the February value of \$20,042.2 million. Cumulative shipments for the first three months of 1986 at an estimated \$61,251.7 million were up 6.8% from the \$57,333.3 million estimated for the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 9550-9580.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, \$15/\$150), available in three to four weeks time. Data for shipments by province in greater detail than normally published may be available on request. Call the Shipments, Inventories and Orders Section (613-990-9832), Industry Division.

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in all Manufacturing Industries

Based on 1982 Census of Manufactures Benchmarks
(millions of dollars)

	Mar. 1986 ^p	Feb. 1986 ^r	Jan. 1986	Mar. 1985
Not adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Shipments - Total	21,106.8	20,042.2	20,102.7	20,452.5
New orders - Total	21,333.5	20,522.5	20,597.8	21,009.1
Unfilled orders - Total	24,898.3	24,671.7	24,191.4	24,077.6
Inventory owned - Total	34,747.1	35,110.4	34,421.0	34,421.9
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Shipments - Total	20,236.2	21,414.5	21,514.1	19,676.4
New orders - Total	20,397.5	21,716.9	21,645.9	20,173.6
Unfilled orders - Total	24,746.1	24,584.8	24,282.4	23,934.1
Inventory owned - Total	34,106.8	34,798.7	34,313.1	33,757.2
Ratio of total inventories owned to shipments	1.69	1.63	1.59	1.71

^p Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

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Computer Service Industry

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In 1984, there were 2,109 companies in Canada primarily engaged in providing processing, software and systems and other computer-related services, with total operating revenue reported at \$1,767.3 million.

An additional 100 companies were primarily engaged in the sales, leasing and rental of hardware with reported total operating revenue of \$1,214.9 million.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 7083-7094, 7437-7440, 7442-7447, 7449-7454, 7456, 7457, 7459, 7460 and 7467-7472.

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Steel Ingots and Pig Iron

April 1986

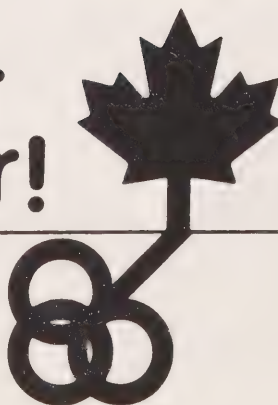
Preliminary steel ingot production for April 1986 totalled 1 260 000 tonnes, an increase of 5.9% from the 1 189 735 tonnes produced the previous year.

Preliminary pig iron production for the month totalled 836 000 tonnes, up 7.1% from 780 577 tonnes a year earlier.

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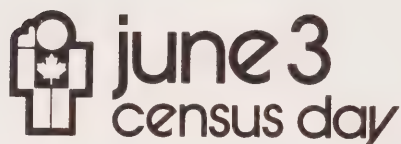
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Survey of Job Opportunities, March 1986

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- An estimated 245,000 persons not in the labour force wanted a job but were not actively looking for employment due to labour market related reasons

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Major Release

Survey of Job Opportunities

March 1986

An estimated 245,000 persons not in the labour force in March 1986 wanted a job but were not not actively looking for employment due to labour market related reasons, such as awaiting recall, waiting for replies from previous job searches or a belief that no jobs were available. This total is down by 24,000 from March 1985 and is the lowest estimate since 1981.

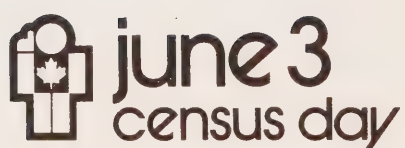
Other findings from this annual supplement of the March Labour Force Survey include:

- Among those not seeking work for labour market related reasons, the number of persons who reported "believes no work available" as their reason for not looking for work decreased by 20,000 from March 1985 to 105,000. (This estimate is just slightly above the corresponding one from the March 1981 survey carried out prior to the recession.)
- There were 151,000 persons who wanted a job but were not looking for employment for personal or other reasons. The estimate for this group rose by 8,000 from March 1985. Personal reasons for not seeking work include illness, family responsibilities and going to school.

- The estimated total number of persons wanting a job but not seeking work regardless of the reason was 396,000 in March 1986.
- Of these, an estimated 27.6% in March 1986 would move within their own province if a suitable job were offered, while 17.7% said they would move to another province to take a suitable job.
- Among persons who reported wanting a job but not seeking one, 62.1% expected to be working within six months.

The April issue of *The Labour Force* contains an article entitled "Persons Not in the Labour Force: Job Search Activities and the Desire for Employment - March 1986", which analyzes the results of this survey. The article contains estimates dating back to March 1979, the first year the survey was conducted in its present form.

Order the April 1986 issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, \$20/\$200), available today. Contact: Richard Veevers (613-990-9452), Labour and Household Surveys Analysis Division.



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Major Releases

Wholesale Trade

March 1986

Sales

On a year-over-year basis, wholesale merchants' sales were up 7.0% in March 1986 from March 1985 but were down from the revised increase of 14.7% registered between February 1985 and February 1986.

All major trade groups registered increased sales in March from a year earlier. The most notable gain was reported by wholesalers of lumber and building materials (+25.0%). All regions except the Atlantic provinces (-1.0%) posted sales increases from March 1985.

Cumulative sales by wholesale merchants for the first three months of 1986 were up 12.2% over the January-March 1985 period. Significant gains were reported by wholesalers of lumber and building materials (+23.7%); tobacco, drugs and toilet preparations

(+18.2%); motor vehicles and accessories (+16.9%); and other machinery, equipment and supplies (+15.1%).

Inventories

Wholesale inventories in March 1986 increased by 9.0% over the corresponding period in 1985. Revised inventories for February 1986 were up 8.5% from the February 1985 level.

The ratio of inventories to sales at the end of March 1986 was 1.69:1, up slightly from 1.66:1 a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 44.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, \$5/\$50), available the second week of June. Contact: Gilles Berniquez (613-991-3537), Wholesale Trade Section, Industry Division.

Wholesale Trade

Percentage Change in Sales and Inventories for March 1986/1985

Major trade groups - Regions	Sales			Inventories		Stocks/Sales Ratios	
	February 1986/85 ^r	March 1986/85 ^p	Jan.-Mar. 1986/85 ^p	February 1986/85 ^r	March 1986/85 ^p	March 1985 ^r	March 1986 ^p
Total all trades	14.7	7.0	12.2	8.5	9.0	1.66	1.69
Food	6.0	3.2	5.4	6.8	4.9	0.79	0.80
Tobacco, drugs and toilet preparations	25.7	10.5	18.2	16.2	17.9	1.00	1.07
Apparel, dry goods, furniture and general merchandise	9.1	13.0	11.1	7.9	6.4	2.12	1.99
Motor vehicles and accessories	20.3	13.8	16.9	14.7	11.5	1.80	1.76
Farm machinery, equipment and supplies	18.3	2.5	12.8	-10.0	-3.6	4.57	4.30
Other machinery, equipment and supplies ¹	20.4	2.2	15.1	10.7	12.4	1.69	1.85
Metals, hardware, plumbing and heating equipment	-1.6	2.1	4.8	15.5	15.5	1.56	1.77
Lumber and building materials	24.5	25.0	23.7	9.3	9.8	1.97	1.73
Other wholesalers ²	14.0	5.9	9.2	8.6	7.9	1.71	1.74
Regions							
Atlantic provinces	2.6	-1.0	2.2	5.0	5.1	1.46	1.55
Quebec	9.9	0.4	6.3	9.7	7.8	1.51	1.63
Ontario	20.2	10.1	17.9	12.4	12.7	1.56	1.60
Prairie provinces	11.3	6.5	9.3	1.2	4.7	2.45	2.41
B.C., Yukon and Northwest Territories	15.7	12.6	13.5	8.8	9.2	1.38	1.34

^r Revised figures.

^p Preliminary figures.

¹ Includes: electrical machinery, equipment and supplies; and machinery and equipment, n.e.s.

² Includes: farm products (excluding grain); paper and paper products; scrap and waste materials; and wholesalers, n.e.s.

Sales of Natural Gas

March 1986

Sales of natural gas by main distributors amounted to 5 286 502 thousand cubic metres during March 1986.

On the basis of rate structure information sales in the latest month were broken down as follows: residential sales, 1 578 699 thousand

cubic metres; commercial sales, 1 313 685 thousand cubic metres and industrial sales, 2 394 118 thousand cubic metres.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, \$10/\$100), available the third week of June. Contact: Gary Smalldridge (613-991-3567), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Natural Gas Sales

March 1986

	Rate structure			Total
	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	
	thousands of cubic metres			
New Brunswick	15	49	-	64
Quebec	110 497	155 511	301 816	567 824
Ontario	813 105	591 541	963 380	2 368 026
Manitoba	86 282	85 017	42 428	213 727
Saskatchewan	102 686	94 486	98 354	295 526
Alberta	317 042	252 750	850 060	1 419 852
British Columbia	149 072	134 331	138 080	421 483
Canada	1 578 699	1 313 685	2 394 118	5 286 502

Note: Revised figures will be available later in the "Gas Utilities" publication as well as on CANSIM.
- Nil.

Data Availability Announcements

Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products

April 1986

Canadian tobacco product firms produced 4,290,562,000 cigarettes in April 1986, a 26.3% decrease from the 5,823,702,000 cigarettes manufactured during the same period in 1985.

Domestic sales amounted to 3,494,166,000 cigarettes in April 1986, an increase of 1.7% over the April 1985 amount of 3,434,534,000 cigarettes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 46.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of May 26. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Steel Ingots

Week Ending May 17, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending May 17, 1986 totalled 272 367 tonnes, a decrease of 5.5% from the preceding week's total of 288 132 tonnes and down 5.1% from the year-earlier level of 287 064 tonnes.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

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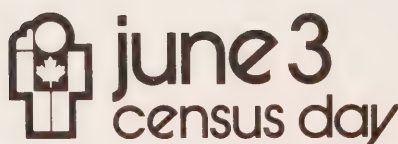
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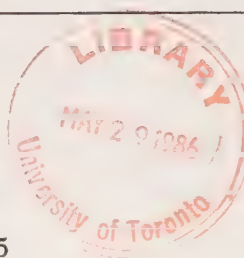
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Major Releases

Net Farm Income (Preliminary)

1985

Realized net farm income in 1985 is estimated at \$3.908 billion, down 10.6% from the revised 1984 level of \$4.369 billion.

Total farm cash receipts in 1985 (including supplementary payments) were \$19.879 billion, a decline of 2.3% from \$20.350 billion in 1984. Crop receipts declined by 4.7% in 1985 to \$9.382 billion, due mainly to reduced farm marketings of wheat, oats, barley and rye. Western grain stabilization and crop insurance payments totalling \$1.126 billion partially offset the reduction in crop cash receipts. Live-stock receipts were relatively unchanged at \$9.770 billion in 1985. Declines of 3.5% in hog receipts and 2.4% in calf receipts were balanced by slight increases in other livestock products. Other federal and provincial government payments, such as those made as a result of the adverse weather conditions in the Prairies, also helped to counter the decline in total cash receipts.

Farm operating expenses and depreciation charges were virtually unchanged at \$16.223 billion in 1985 compared to the revised 1984 level of \$16.245 billion. Significant increases for fertilizer, pesticides, wages, net property taxes and electricity expenses were offset by decreases in commercial feed and interest expenses as well as depreciation charges. Commercial feed expenses decreased 8.4%, due

mainly to lower feed grain prices in 1985 while lower interest rates helped to reduce interest expenses by 7.0%. A decline in the value of machinery and farm buildings in 1985 resulted in a 3.1% reduction in depreciation charges from the 1984 level.

Total net income, which takes into account the value of inventory change, increased 25.1% to \$4.244 billion. The marketing of a larger than usual proportion of an already drought-reduced crop in the fall of 1984 significantly reduced year-end grain inventories. Increased grain production and lower marketings for the August to December 1985 period resulted in higher year-end stocks. Consequently, the total value of inventory change in 1985 was \$0.336 billion compared with the 1984 inventory change of -\$0.977 billion.

(see table on page 3)

Preliminary 1985 and revised 1971 to 1984 estimates are available on CANSIM: matrices 155, 159, 162-172, 208-217, 220, 225, 229-235, 244 and 263-272.

Order the 1986 issue of *Agriculture Economic Statistics* (21-603), scheduled for release in late June. Contact: George Beelen or Jackie LeBlanc-Cooke (613-990-8706), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Farm Net Income
1984 and 1985

	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Canada
millions of dollars											
1985											
(Preliminary)											
Farm cash receipts	42.0	176.1	258.1	223.0	3,065.8	5,179.8	2,002.0	4,027.6	3,800.5	989.6	19,764.3
Income-in-kind	0.6	2.7	6.1	3.8	59.8	65.8	16.8	40.5	35.8	19.9	251.7
Supplementary payments	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	31.3	0.0	3.9	44.3	30.2	4.0	114.3
Realized gross income	43.1	178.8	264.2	226.8	3,156.8	5,245.5	2,022.7	4,112.4	3,866.5	1,013.4	20,130.3
Expenses	31.6	148.9	199.4	174.0	2,261.6	4,220.7	1,644.9	3,411.7	3,317.3	812.5	16,222.7
Realized net income	11.5	29.9	64.8	52.8	895.2	1,024.8	377.9	700.6	549.2	200.9	3,907.6
Value of inventory change	0.0	-2.0	-2.3	5.3	-17.9	108.3	283.9	171.1	-184.2	-26.1	336.1
Total gross income	43.1	176.8	261.9	232.1	3,138.9	5,353.8	2,306.6	4,283.5	3,682.3	987.3	20,466.4
Total net income	11.5	28.0	62.5	58.1	877.2	1,133.0	661.7	871.8	365.0	174.8	4,243.7
1984 (Revised)											
Farm cash receipts	41.5	194.4	256.5	227.7	3,055.1	5,330.9	1,950.5	4,320.2	3,945.7	979.7	20,302.2
Income-in-kind	0.5	3.0	6.2	4.1	58.4	70.0	19.3	40.5	39.0	23.1	264.0
Supplementary payments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9	29.0	16.1	0.0	48.1
Realized gross income	42.0	197.3	262.7	231.8	3,113.6	5,400.9	1,972.7	4,389.7	4,000.8	1,002.8	20,614.2
Expenses	31.1	143.5	201.2	172.2	2,300.8	4,277.0	1,621.1	3,319.5	3,359.2	819.9	16,245.4
Realized net income	11.0	53.8	61.5	59.5	812.7	1,123.9	351.6	1,070.2	641.6	182.9	4,368.8
Value of inventory change	0.5	14.9	0.8	1.3	9.9	73.6	14.5	-720.3	-358.6	-13.9	-977.3
Total Gross	42.6	212.2	263.5	233.0	3,123.4	5,474.5	1,987.1	3,669.4	3,642.2	988.9	19,636.9
Total Net	11.5	68.7	62.3	60.8	822.6	1,197.5	366.1	350.0	283.0	169.1	3,391.5

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding.

Farm Cash Receipts

January-March 1986

Farm cash receipts for the January-March 1986 period were estimated at \$5,220 million, a decrease of 8.2% from the level of \$5,684 million for the corresponding period in 1985.

During this period receipts from the sale of field crops totalled \$2,559 million, down 16.6% from the 1985 level of \$3,067 million. Lower Canadian Wheat Board participation payments and lower liquidations of deferred grain receipts were the main reasons for the drop. Prices declined for all major field crops. However, increased quantities of wheat, barley, rye, flaxseed, soybeans and potatoes were marketed. Consequently, cash receipts increased for wheat, barley, rye and soybeans while decreasing for oats, flaxseed, rapeseed, corn and potatoes.

Total livestock receipts decreased by 3.1% from \$2,467 million in 1985 to \$2,390 million in 1986. Receipts for cattle and hogs declined due to lower marketings and prices, while receipts for calves decreased in spite of higher prices. Receipts increased for sheep, lambs and dairy products, while decreasing for poultry and eggs.

Other cash receipts went from \$150 million in 1985 to \$271 million in 1986, an 80.7% increase. Higher provincial income stabilization payments, especially in Alberta and

British Columbia, and higher supplementary payments in Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia are the principal reasons for this increase.

Estimated farm cash receipts measure the gross returns to farmers from the sale of all agricultural products. They also include Canadian Wheat Board participation payments, cash advances paid on farm-stored commodities, and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No allowance has been made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

Realized net farm income, which takes into account producers' operating expenses and depreciation charges will be published at a later date in the new publication *Agriculture Economic Statistics* (21-603).

Available on CANSIM: matrices 175 and 450-459.

Order the January-March 1986 issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, \$7/\$70), scheduled for release on May 30. This publication is also available immediately on Envoy 100, an electronic messaging system.

For more information, contact Lambert Gauthier or Steven Danford (613-990-8706), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Total Cash Receipts From Farming Operations

January-March

	1985 ^r	1986	1986/1985 % change
thousands of dollars			
Newfoundland	10,432	10,061	-3.6
Prince Edward Island	45,383	37,036	-18.4
Nova Scotia	61,285	60,928	-0.6
New Brunswick	49,824	46,622	-6.4
Quebec	690,266	649,168	-6.0
Ontario	1,283,989	1,207,792	-5.9
Manitoba	537,615	583,509	8.5
Saskatchewan	1,534,435	1,316,478	-14.2
Alberta	1,236,652	1,076,951	-12.9
British Columbia	234,349	231,928	-1.0
Canada	5,684,230	5,220,473	-8.2

^r Revised.

Leading Indicator of Building Construction Activity in Canada

January 1986

The leading indicator of building construction activity in Canada (1981=100) increased slightly (+0.6%) in January to 93.6 from 93.0 in December. This advance is entirely attributable to the performance registered by the residential component of the total index.

After steady growth throughout 1985, the filtered index of residential construction continued to rise (+1.1%) in January to 107.4 - the highest level recorded since May 1981. Construction intentions were strong in the single-family dwelling sector while the situation levelled-off in the multi-family sector. The trend-cycle of residential permits issued declined in the Atlantic provinces, showed little change in Western Canada and increased in Quebec and Ontario.

The filtered index of non-residential construction (excluding engineering projects) slipped slightly by -0.1% to 79.0 in January. The industrial (-0.1%) and commercial (-0.1%) components of the non-residential index showed slight decreases while a more pronounced decline occurred in the public (-1.0%) sector. The trend-cycle of non-residential permits issued posted a decline in the Prairies that offset rises recorded in all other regions.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 80 (level 9-15).

Order the February 1986 issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, \$20/\$200), scheduled for release the third week of June. Contact: Lizette Gervais-Simard (613-990-9689), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division.

Leading Indicator of Building Construction Activity in Canada

1981 = 100

	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1985	Oct. 1985	Jan. 1985	Dec. 1984	Nov. 1984	Oct. 1984	% Variation	
									Jan. '86/ Dec. '85	Jan. '86/ Jan. '85
Total index	93.6	93.0	92.5	92.0	76.6	74.9	73.6	72.8	+0.6	+22.2
Residential	107.4	106.2	105.0	103.8	78.3	76.5	75.5	75.4	+1.1	+37.2
Non-residential	79.0	79.1	79.3	79.7	74.9	73.2	71.6	70.1	-0.1	+5.5
Industrial	77.3	77.4	77.9	78.4	76.3	74.4	72.1	69.3	-0.1	+1.3
Commercial	75.5	75.6	75.7	75.7	66.6	65.2	64.0	63.0	-0.1	+13.4
Public	86.5	87.4	88.6	89.9	90.8	89.3	88.3	87.4	-1.0	-4.7

Data Availability Announcements

Railway Carloadings

Seven Days Ending May 7, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the seven days ending May 7, 1986 totalled 4.8 million tonnes, a decrease of 3.5% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 17 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release the week of May 26. Contact: Wayne Reinhard (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Sawmills in British Columbia

March 1986

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,295.3 million feet board measure (3 056 700 cubic metres) of lumber and ties in March 1986, up from 1,217.5 million feet board measure (2 873 000 cubic metres) in March 1985.

January to March 1986 production amounted to 3,827.5 million feet board measure (9 032 200 cubic metres), an increase of 9.7% from a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 53 (series 1.2).

Order the March 1986 issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, \$6/\$60), to be released the week of June 2. Contact: Jock Dobie (604-666-2671), B.C. and Yukon Regional Office, Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 3C9.

Stocks of Frozen Meat

May 1986

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of May amounted to 30 040 tonnes as compared with 31 262 tonnes in April and 40 270 tonnes in May 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 87 and 9517-9525

Order the May issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release at the end of May. Contact: P.L. Beerstecher (613-990-8714), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Oilseed Crushings

April 1986

Domestic crushings of vegetable oilseeds and the subsequent production of oil and meal for the latest periods were as follows:

- Canola-rape seed, April 1986: 86 491 tonnes of crushings, with 36 129 tonnes of oil and 49 256 tonnes of meal produced.
- Soybeans, April 1986: 92 645 tonnes of crushings, with 16 459 tonnes of oil and 72 901 tonnes of meal produced.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5612 (series 1) and 5613.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release in mid-June. Contact: Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or Glenn Lennox (613-991-3860), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Ottawa.

Selected Financial Indexes

April 1986

April 1986 figures are now available for the selected financial indexes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 412.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in August. Contact: the Prices Division (613-990-9601).

Apparent Per Capita Food Consumption in Canada

1984 and 1985

Estimates of 1984 and 1985 apparent per capita consumption in Canada are now available for sugars, syrups, pulses and nuts.

Available on CANSIM: tables 00190101, 00190103, 00190109, 00190110, 0190111, 0190113 and 0190114.

Order *Apparent Per Capita Food Consumption in Canada*, Part 1, 1985 (32-229, \$25), available the first week of June. Contact: A. Mathieson (613-991-3854), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Publications Released

Financial Flow Accounts,
Fourth Quarter 1985,
Catalogue number 13-002
(Canada: \$35/\$140; Other Countries: \$36/\$144)

**Production and Disposition
of Tobacco Products, April 1986**
Catalogue number 32-022
(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Construction Type Plywood,
March 1986
Catalogue number 35-001
(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Coal and Coke Statistics,
February 1986
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Statistics, February 1986**
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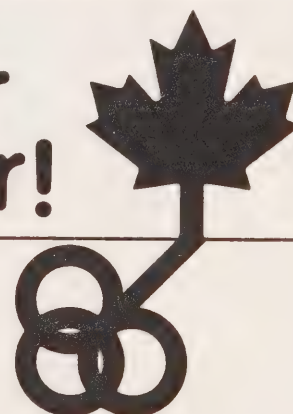
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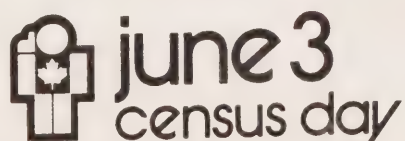
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Monday, May 26, 1986

Major Release

International Travel Account, First Quarter 1986 2

- Canada's first quarter travel account deficit remained unchanged from the year-earlier level at \$1.4 billion

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Major Release

International Travel Account

First Quarter 1986

In the first quarter of 1986, preliminary estimates show that Canada posted an international travel deficit of \$1,438 million - similar to the level recorded in the first quarter of 1985. Over the last five years, Canada has recorded a deficit in the first quarter averaging \$1.2 billion.

Receipts from international travel increased by 24% or \$123 million during the first quarter of 1986. Payments by Canadians travelling abroad grew at a much slower pace, rising by 6% or \$121 million.

It should be noted that Easter occurred in March this year and as a result a shift in international travel flows from April into March might have taken place.

Final estimates for 1985 are included in the accompanying table.

Order the January-March issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, \$35/\$140), available mid-June. Contact: Paul L. Paradis (613-990-8932), International Travel Section, International and Financial Economics Division.

Receipts and Payments on International Travel

1984 and 1985

	1985					1986 ^P
	QI	QII	QIII	QIV	Year	QI
millions of dollars						
United States						
Receipts	370	876	1,795	633	3,674	465
Payments	1,230	1,091	1,055	782	4,158	1,303
Balance	-860	-215	740	-149	-484	-838
All Other Countries						
Receipts	148	380	576	228	1,332	176
Payments	728	714	925	585	2,952	776
Balance	-580	-334	-349	-357	-1,620	-600
Total All Countries						
Receipts	518	1,256	2,371	861	5,006	641
Payments	1,958	1,805	1,980	1,367	7,110	2,079
Balance	-1,440	-549	391	-506	-2,104	-1,438

^P Preliminary estimates.

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Airport Activity Statistics: Scheduled Services

July 1985

Preliminary data indicate that 3.5 million passengers enplaned and deplaned on scheduled services at the top 10 Canadian airports during July 1985, a slight decrease (-0.8%) from July 1984. Passenger traffic movements at the top 10 airports ranged from a drop of 6.0% at Montreal International (Dorval) to an increase of 9.3% at Edmonton Municipal.

Order the Vol. 18, No. 5 *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), available the first week of June. Contact: K. Davidson (819-997-1386), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation Division.

Production of Soft Drinks

April 1986

The total monthly production of soft drinks for April 1986 was estimated at 2 080 905 hectolitres as compared to 1 691 601 hectolitres a year earlier. (These data are based on carbon dioxide usage.)

Available on CANSIM: matrix 196.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Monthly Production of Soft Drinks* (32-001, \$2/\$20), to be released by June 13. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Electric Lamps

April 1986

Canadian light bulb and tube manufacturers sold 19,788,421 units during April 1986, a decrease of 7.1% from the 21,187,968 units sold the previous month.

These represented \$24,744,763 worth of sales to Canadian manufacturers in April 1986, an increase of 2.4% from March 1986.

Compared to the previous year, April 1986 sales of light bulbs and tubes were up 19.2% from the \$20,750,363 recorded in April 1985.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Electric Lamps (Light Bulbs and Tubes)* (43-009, \$4/\$40), to be released by June 6. Contact: Roger Laplante (613-990-9837), Industry Division.

Production of Selected Biscuits

First Quarter 1986

During the quarter ended March 1986, production of biscuits (all types) totalled 39 269 783 kilograms, a decrease of 7.6% from the 42 510 398 (revised figure) kilograms produced during the first quarter of 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 190.

Order the first quarter 1986 issue of *Production of Selected Biscuits* (32-026, \$5/\$20), to be released the week of May 26. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Exports of Wheat Flour and Barley Malt

March 1986

Customs exports of wheat flour and barley malt during March 1986 were as follows (in thousand tonnes):

- Wheat flour 33.1
- Malt 9.1

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5612 (series 1) and 5613.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release in mid-June. Contact: Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or Anthony Dupuis (613-991-3860), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Ottawa.

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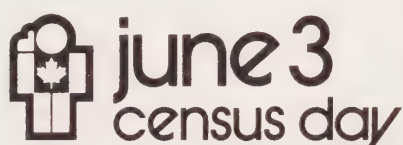
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**Industrial Chemicals and
Synthetic Resins, March 1986**
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**Production and Sales of Phonograph
Records and Pre-recorded Tapes
in Canada, March 1986**
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**Air Carrier Traffic at Canadian
Airports, Second Quarter 1984**
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**Department Store Monthly Sales,
by Province and Selected
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Tuesday, May 27, 1986

Major Release

Union Wage Rate Index, April 1986 2

- The union wage rate index for construction trades showed an increase of 3.4% on a year-over-year basis

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Major Release

Union Wage Rate Index

April 1986

The Canada total union wage rate index (1981=100) for construction trades remained unchanged in April from the level of 132.2 recorded in March.

Comparing April 1986 with the same month in 1985, union wage rates at the Canada total level rose 3.4%. The largest increase was reported in Halifax (10.1%), while cities in Newfoundland, Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia registered increases of 4.4% on average.

It should be noted that these estimates of change are derived from current contract agreements covering 16 trades in 17 cities

across Canada. Five cities in the provinces of Newfoundland, Saskatchewan and Alberta are excluded due to the small number of existing union wage rate agreements.

The union wage rate indexes have a two-year revision policy, and accordingly, indexes released in the *Daily* are subject to revision as new contracts are signed in the three provinces mentioned above.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 400-405, 956 and 958.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in August. Contact: Lisa-Gay Tremblay (613-990-9601), Prices Division.

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Electric Power Statistics,

February 1986

Catalogue number 57-001

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Summary of Canadian International

Trade, March 1986

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(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

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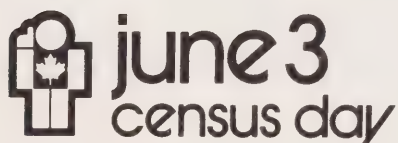
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Wednesday, May 28, 1986

Major Releases

Unemployment Insurance Statistics, March 1986 2

- Claims received during the first quarter of 1986 numbered 810,000 – down 6.1% from the same period in 1985

Employment, Earnings and Hours, March 1986 4

- Average weekly earnings for all employees were \$428.36, up 3.5% from March 1985

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Unemployment Insurance Statistics March 1986

Unemployment insurance benefits paid in March 1986 amounted to \$921 million¹, down 3.7% from the previous month and 6.2% from March 1985. Disbursements for the first quarter of 1986 totalled \$3,043 million, down 3.2% from the same period a year earlier.

A total of 214,000 claims for unemployment insurance benefits were received in March 1986, a decrease of 0.8% from February 1986 and down 7.4% from March 1985. For the first quarter of 1986, a total of 810,000 claims were received, a decline of 6.1% from the same quarter in 1985.

The number of beneficiaries¹ for the week ending March 15, 1986 totalled 1,258,000, down 0.6% from February. The number of claimants receiving unemployment insurance benefits declined by 8.4% from March 1985.

Adjusted for seasonal variation, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits increased 0.6% between February and March to 950,000.

¹The count of beneficiaries cannot be directly related to the benefit payments made during any one month. Whereas the latter figure covers all disbursements during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons who qualified for benefits during a specific week each month, regardless of when they received payment.

(see table on page 3)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5700-5717 and 26 (series 1.6).

Data for the months of January, February and March 1986 will be published in the March 1986 issue of *Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001, \$12/\$120), available at the beginning of June. Contact: H. Stiebert or J.-P. Maynard (613-990-9900), Labour Division.

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	March 1986	February 1986	January 1986	March 1985	% change from	
					February 1986	March 1985
Benefits¹						
Amount paid (\$000)	920,575	956,430	1,166,219	981,334	-3.7	-6.2
Weeks of benefit (000)	5,088	5,291	6,454	5,731	-3.8	-11.2
Average weekly benefit (\$)	181.31	181.12	180.89	171.66	0.1	5.6
Claims received (000)	214	216	379	232	-0.8	-7.4
Beneficiaries² (000)						
Total	1,258 ^p	1,265 ^p	1,285 ^r	1,373 ^r	-0.6	-8.4
Regular benefits	1,125 ^p	1,130 ^p	1,154 ^r	1,220 ^r	-0.5	-7.8
Regular benefits - Seasonally adjusted	950 ^p	944 ^p	966 ^r	1,055 ^r	0.6	
January to March				% change		
				1986	1985	1986/1985
Benefits¹						
Amount paid (\$000)	3,043,224		3,143,421			-3.2
Weeks of benefit (000)	16,833		18,346			-8.3
Average weekly benefit (\$)	181.09		171.62			5.5
Claims received (000)	810		863			-6.1
Beneficiaries - Year-to-date average² (000)	1,270^p		1,394^r			-8.9

¹ Amount paid and weeks of benefit include work sharing and job creation. However, average weekly benefit excludes these amounts in order to maintain comparability with previous data.

² The beneficiaries include all claimants who receive benefits through the computer pay system. Excluded are year-round fishermen, a few seasonal fishermen and a small number of work sharing and job creation claimants who are paid through the manual pay system.

^p Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

Employment, Earnings and Hours

March 1986 (data not seasonally adjusted)

Preliminary data on employment, payrolls and hours for March 1986 showed an estimated 8,924.5 thousand employees at the Canada industrial aggregate¹ level, an increase of 34.9 thousand (0.4%) from February 1986. Employment increased in transportation, communication and other utilities while the remaining industries showed little change. Small increases were registered in all provinces and territories with the exception of Alberta which registered a slight decrease.

Average weekly earnings at the Canada industrial aggregate level remained virtually unchanged at \$428.36 in March from \$428.50 in February. Increases were registered in forestry and finance, insurance and real estate while the construction industry decreased. There was little change in the remaining industries. Average weekly earnings declined in Quebec while all other provinces and territories showed little or no change. (see tables on pages 5 and 6)

¹*The industrial aggregate is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture; fishing and trapping; religious organizations; private households and military personnel.*

Available on CANSIM: matrices 8003-9000 and 9584-9638.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, \$35/\$350), available at the end of June. Contact: R. Arsenault (613-990-9900), Labour Division.

Note to Users:

Sample Size Increase in Manufacturing Industries

The sample size of the survey of employment, payrolls and hours has been increased by 2,000 establishments in the manufacturing industry in order to improve the quality of the estimates at the detailed industry level. Commencing with the data for January 1986, all manufacturing firms with 50 to 199 employees are included in the survey on a regular monthly basis. These firms were previously surveyed on a sample basis only. The estimates as originally published for January and February 1986 did not include these additional units. However, the data for the two months have now been revised to reflect this change in coverage and are presented in the accompanying tables.

More information is available in the March issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002). Contact: Jack Beauregard (613-990-9900), Labour Division.

Employment, Earnings and Hours

March 1986

(Data not seasonally adjusted)

All employees						
Industry group – Canada (1970 SIC)	Number			Average weekly earnings		
	Mar. 1986 ^p	Feb. 1986 ^r	Jan. 1986 ^r	Mar. 1986 ^p	Feb. 1986 ^r	Jan. 1986 ^r
	thousands			dollars		
Forestry	43.6	46.3	47.2	609.95	592.12	600.00
Mines, quarries and oil wells	153.7	154.9	153.8	714.77	719.59	729.08
Manufacturing	1,708.3	1,703.5	1,697.5	503.19	504.17	503.46
Durables	828.8	826.2	822.1	535.05	537.87	536.34
Non-durables	879.5	877.4	875.4	473.17	472.43	472.58
Construction	332.8	330.9	332.5	501.51	512.24	508.41
Building	283.8	282.2	287.0	481.05	493.42	491.39
Industrial and heavy	49.0	48.8	45.5	620.12	621.15	615.87
Goods-producing industries	2,238.3	2,235.7	2,231.0	519.55	522.12	521.80
Transportation, communication and other utilities	795.8	788.0	791.3	552.25	552.84	559.94
Transportation	450.4	442.8	447.1	504.59	506.80	514.25
Storage	12.3	12.3	11.8	557.60	552.25	558.49
Communication	219.6	219.6	219.1	587.16	585.17	596.52
Electric power, gas and water utilities	113.5	113.3	113.4	673.24	670.19	669.51
Trade	1,580.4	1,581.5	1,600.4	314.04	311.12	309.67
Wholesale	469.3	467.8	467.1	435.69	436.12	433.57
Retail	1,111.1	1,113.7	1,133.2	262.66	258.61	258.60
Finance, insurance and real estate	560.6	560.0	560.1	448.14	442.79	443.55
Community, business and personal services	3,098.6	3,073.0	3,073.2	361.81	362.61	363.76
Public administration	650.7	651.3	647.4	540.65	540.40	540.22
Service-producing industries	6,686.1	6,653.8	6,672.3	397.83	397.05	397.87
Industrial aggregate	8,924.5	8,889.6	8,903.3	428.36	428.50	428.93
Industrial aggregate – Provinces						
Newfoundland	122.7	121.7	120.5	407.46	406.03	404.48
Prince Edward Island	28.0	27.8	27.5	351.94	349.49	348.52
Nova Scotia	246.4	245.5	247.4	388.60	385.50	384.58
New Brunswick	180.6	180.4	181.7	400.43	401.30	399.95
Quebec	2,210.6	2,188.2	2,199.6	414.60	417.60	415.57
Ontario	3,679.0	3,677.7	3,685.1	436.87	435.64	434.41
Manitoba	353.4	351.6	349.5	396.04	394.06	398.69
Saskatchewan	274.9	272.8	271.4	396.48	394.09	402.37
Alberta	861.1	865.1	866.2	448.56	450.23	456.17
British Columbia	942.0	933.3	929.0	447.99	447.67	452.39
Yukon	7.9	7.8	7.7	469.60	467.92	495.71
Northwest Territories	18.0	17.7	17.7	572.78	570.99	565.97
Canada	8,924.5	8,889.6	8,903.3	428.36	428.50	428.93

^p Preliminary estimates.

^r Revised estimates.

Employment, Earnings and Hours – Concluded

March 1986

(Data not seasonally adjusted)

Industry group – Canada (1970 SIC)	Employees paid by the hour					
	Average weekly hours			Average hourly earnings		
	Mar. 1986 ^p	Feb. 1986 ^r	Jan. 1986 ^r	Mar. 1986 ^p	Feb. 1986 ^r	Jan. 1986 ^r
	number			dollars		
Forestry	40.5	37.6	39.4	16.86	16.67	16.66
Mines, quarries and oil wells	39.6	39.8	41.1	15.89	15.99	15.86
Manufacturing	38.9	39.1	39.1	11.92	11.91	11.88
Durables	40.2	40.5	40.5	12.46	12.47	12.44
Non-durables	37.5	37.7	37.6	11.29	11.26	11.23
Construction	36.4	36.7	36.9	14.39	14.62	14.33
Building	35.9	36.3	36.4	14.10	14.41	14.20
Industrial and heavy	39.4	39.1	40.1	16.00	15.78	15.14
Goods-producing industries	38.6	38.8	38.9	12.58	12.60	12.55
Transportation, communication and other utilities	37.9	37.8	38.4	13.80	13.88	13.88
Transportation	37.7	37.5	38.3	13.32	13.42	13.42
Storage	37.2	36.9	37.0	14.05	13.95	14.38
Communication	36.3	36.7	36.6	14.27	14.24	14.35
Electric power, gas and water utilities	40.2	40.1	40.2	15.43	15.48	15.50
Trade	28.3	27.9	28.3	8.19	8.16	8.07
Wholesale	36.2	36.2	36.8	9.71	9.67	9.56
Retail	26.7	26.2	26.7	7.78	7.74	7.67
Finance, insurance and real estate	...	...	...	...	...	...
Community, business and personal services	26.9	26.6	26.8	9.23	9.25	9.21
Public administration	...	...	...	...	...	...
Service-producing industries	28.5	28.2	28.6	9.52	9.53	9.48
Industrial aggregate	32.0	31.9	32.1	10.80	10.83	10.77
Industrial aggregate – Provinces						
Newfoundland	34.6	34.3	33.9	9.53	9.49	9.57
Prince Edward Island	30.7	30.5	30.9	7.64	7.65	7.60
Nova Scotia	33.0	32.5	32.4	9.33	9.32	9.30
New Brunswick	33.4	33.3	33.1	9.90	9.96	9.89
Quebec	32.6	32.8	32.6	10.43	10.49	10.44
Ontario	32.8	32.6	32.8	10.75	10.77	10.68
Manitoba	31.3	30.9	31.4	9.95	9.93	9.88
Saskatchewan	28.7	28.2	29.3	10.36	10.32	10.26
Alberta	30.4	30.3	31.5	10.94	11.14	11.12
British Columbia	29.8	29.4	30.1	12.96	12.90	12.84
Yukon	30.1	29.7	31.2	11.59	11.54	11.57
Northwest Territories	33.2	32.5	32.9	13.64	13.76	13.60
Canada	32.0	31.9	32.1	10.80	10.83	10.77

^p Preliminary estimates.

^r Revised estimates.

... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

Data Availability Announcements

Mineral Wool

April 1986

Manufacturers shipped 3 734 278 square metres of mineral wool (all R factors) in batts in April 1986, down 11.2% from the 4 204 472 square metres shipped a year earlier and down 64.2% from the 10 419 433 square metres shipped in March.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 40 and 122 (series 32 and 33).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Mineral Wool including Fibrous Glass Insulation* (44-004, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 2. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.

Sawmills East of the Rockies

March 1986

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased in March 1986 to 778,657,000 feet board measure (1 837 427 cubic metres) from 742,911,000 feet board measure (1 753 074 cubic metres) after revisions in March 1985.

Stocks on hand at the end of March 1986 totalled 1,021,425,000 feet board measure (2 410 296 cubic metres).

Available on CANSIM: matrices 53 (except series 1.2) and 122 (series 2).

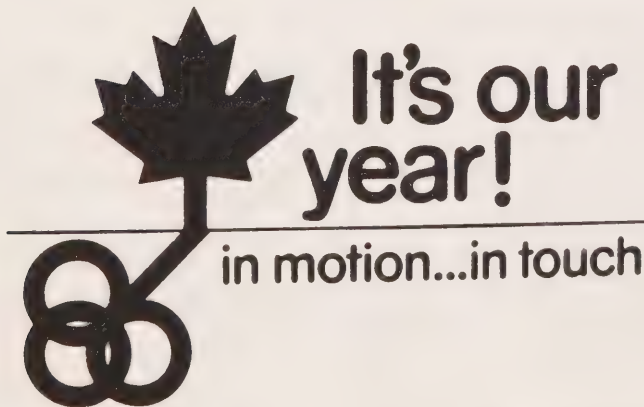
Order the March 1986 issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, \$8/\$80), to be released the week of June 16. Contact: Patrick E. Martin (613-991-3516), Industry Division.

Livestock and Animal Products Statistics

1985

This upcoming report provides basic data pertaining to numbers, prices and value of livestock and the production of animal products in Canada.

Order the 1985 issue of *Livestock and Animal Products Statistics* (23-203, \$30), available mid-July. Contact: B. E. Rosien (613-991-2509), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.



Publications Released

Fruit and Vegetable Production, May 1986
Catalogue number 22-003

(Canada: \$8/\$60; Other Countries: \$9/\$68)

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation, Vol. 14,
No. 15: Pack of Processed Carrots, 1985

Catalogue number 32-023

(Canada: \$6/\$100; Other Countries: \$7/\$110)

Particleboard, Waferboard and
Hardboard, March 1986

Catalogue number 36-003

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products,
March 1986

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7-day Period Ending May 7, 1986

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Agricultural Products, March 1986

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Major Release

Non-residential Construction Output Price Index, 2 First Quarter 1986

- The price index for non-residential construction rose 1.0% from the preceding quarter and 4.2% on a year-over-year basis

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Major Release

Non-residential Construction Output Price Indexes

First Quarter 1986

The price index for non-residential construction advanced 4.2% from the first quarter of 1985 – the largest yearly increase since the third quarter of 1982. This was mainly the result of a strong price increase in Toronto (5.5%), which was in response to continued demand for non-residential construction in that area. Increases over four quarters in the other three Eastern cities ranged between 4.8% for Montreal and 4.0% for Ottawa.

In Western Canada, two trends emerge. In Vancouver, where the level of demand has remained relatively stable over the last 13 quarters, year-to-year price increases began in the second quarter of 1985 and accelerated to the increase of 3.8% posted in the first quarter of 1986.

In Calgary and Edmonton, where substantial declines in demand have been recorded over the last several years, year-to-year decreases in the index have been fairly constant since the first quarter of 1982. Calgary's increase of 1.3% this quarter is the first year-to-year increase in 13 quarters. In Edmonton, a similar pattern prevails and the yearly change this quarter stands at 2.0%.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 414 and 415.

Order the first quarter issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in June. Contact: the Prices Division (613-990-9608).

Output Price Indexes of Non-residential Construction

First Quarter 1986
(1981 = 100)

Seven cities and composite indexes								
	Halifax	Montreal	Ottawa	Toronto	Calgary	Edmonton	Vancouver	Composite
Quarterly indexes								
Q1 1985	113.1	115.7	118.6	119.0	91.2	91.5	102.7	104.8
Q2 1985	114.4	117.7	120.3	121.4	91.1	91.3	104.0	106.3
Q3 1985	115.6	118.5	121.6	123.0	91.0	91.8	105.0	107.3
Q4 1985	116.7	119.2	122.4	124.5	91.8	92.4	105.9	108.2
Q1 1986	118.0	121.2	123.3	125.6	92.4	93.2	106.6	109.3
% change								
Q3'85/Q2'85	0.8	0.8	1.2	1.3	-0.1	0.3	1.0	0.9
Q4'85/Q3'85	1.0	0.6	1.1	1.2	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.8
Q1'86/Q4'85	1.1	1.7	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.7	1.0
Q1'86/Q1'85	4.3	4.8	4.0	5.5	1.3	2.0	3.8	4.2

Data Availability Announcements

Steel Ingots

Week Ending May 24, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending May 24, 1986 totalled 278 347 tonnes, an increase of 2.2% from the preceding week's total of 272 367 tonnes and up 0.3% from the year-earlier level of 277 379 tonnes.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Railway Carloadings

Seven Days Ending May 14, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the seven days ending May 14, 1986 totalled 5.1 million tonnes, an increase of 3.0% from the 1985 figure.

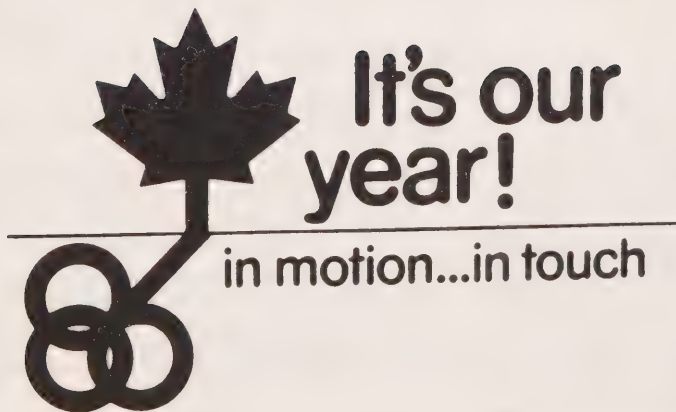
Order the Vol. 2, No. 18 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release the week of June 2. Contact: Wayne Reinhard (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Notifiable Diseases Summary 1985

Annual statistics for notifiable diseases reported during 1985 are now available by sex and five-year age group for Canada and the provinces.

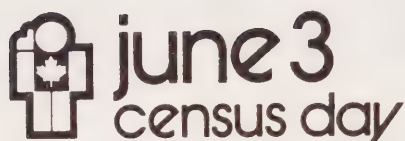
Available on CANSIM: cross-classified table 00050112.

Contact: Leslie Gaudette (613-991-1769), Health Division.



Publication Released

Imports – Merchandise Trade, 1985
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- The IPPI declined 0.3% from the preceding month, reflecting lower prices for petroleum products

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- The RMPI dropped 5.8% to a level 23.9% lower than a year earlier

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Major Releases

Industrial Product Price Index

April 1986

Preliminary estimates show the Industrial Product Price Index (IPPI, 1981=100) went down 0.3% in April 1986. This decrease stemmed primarily from an estimated 8.5% drop for gasoline and fuel oil, which was partly offset by significant increases observed for lumber and timber, woodpulp and motor vehicles.

The year-over-year advance of the IPPI from April 1985 to April 1986 was 1.2%. Without the impact of the decline in petroleum products, the annual movement of the IPPI to April 1986 would have been at a level comparable to the 2.4% average observed for the preceding six months.

Preliminary estimates show gasoline and fuel oil prices decreased by 8.5% in April 1986 to a level 14.6% lower than in April 1985. Significant price increases on both domestic and export markets were observed for sulphate woodpulp (7.1%) and automobiles (2.6%). Softwood lumber prices rose by 4.9%, mainly as a result of an increase in spruce prices on export markets.

(see table on page 3)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1960-1967 and 1970.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, \$15/\$150), available towards the end of June. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Industrial Product Price Indexes (1981 = 100)

Index	Relative Importance ¹	Index April/86 ²	% Change	
			Apr.'86/ Mar. '86	Apr.'86/ Apr. '85
Industrial Product Price Index - Total	100.0	119.7	-0.3	1.2
Intermediate goods	61.6	115.8	-0.2	0.8
First stage intermediate goods	14.6	103.7	0.7	-0.2
Second stage intermediate goods	47.0	119.5	-0.4	0.9
Finished goods	38.4	125.9	-0.4	1.8
Finished foods and feeds	10.3	124.7	0.3	3.9
Capital equipment	10.2	127.6	0.6	3.4
All other finished goods	17.9	125.6	-1.4	-0.2
Aggregation by commodities:				
Meat, fish and dairy products	7.7	115.7	0.1	1.7
Fruit, vegetable, feed, miscellaneous food products	7.0	117.3	0.6	3.2
Beverages	1.9	137.1	0.7	5.5
Tobacco and tobacco products	0.7	139.8	0.9	3.3
Rubber, leather, plastic fabric products	2.8	117.6	0.3	4.3
Textile products	2.4	111.0	0.1	1.1
Knitted products and clothing	2.4	116.2	0.3	1.9
Lumber, sawmill, other wood products	4.3	120.0	2.8	11.7
Furniture and fixtures	1.5	125.8	0.1	3.3
Paper and paper products	8.1	115.3	1.7	2.2
Printing and publishing	2.4	132.0	0.4	3.4
Primary metal products	8.8	106.9	0.3	0.1
Metal fabricated products	5.3	121.2	0.5	2.5
Machinery and equipment	4.8	122.1	0.3	1.6
Autos, trucks, other transportation equipment	11.6	131.9	1.2	4.4
Electrical and communication products	5.0	121.7	0.5	2.4
Non-metallic mineral products	2.5	129.4	0.3	5.6
Petroleum and coal products ³	10.7	116.9	-7.3	-13.0
Chemicals, chemical products	7.1	117.5	-0.1	2.7
Miscellaneous manufactured products	2.3	124.4	-0.1	4.9
Miscellaneous non-manufactured commodities	0.8	94.0	-1.1	-2.9

¹ *Weights are derived from the "make" matrix of the 1981 Input/Output table.*

² *Indexes are preliminary.*

³ *This index is estimated for the current month.*

Raw Materials Price Index

April 1986

Preliminary estimates show the Raw Materials Price Index (RMPI, 1981 = 100) fell by 5.8% in April 1986 from the March level. The decline was chiefly attributable to an estimated 12.6% drop for the mineral fuels component index. The RMPI on a year-over-year basis – comparing April 1986 to April 1985 – was down 23.9%. (Excluding the mineral fuels component from the calculation of the RMPI would result in a 1.1% decrease over the month and a 0.4% increase over the year.) Of the seven components making up the Raw Materials Price Index, five registered decreases, one increased and one showed no change between March and April 1986.

The 12.6% decrease for the mineral fuels component in April left this index 45.6% below its year-earlier level. Crude oil prices were estimated to have dropped 16.5% over the month to a level 52.9% lower than a year ago.

Lower prices for hogs (-4.7%) and cattle and calves (-0.9%) were the key factors in a 1.3% decrease in the animal and animal products component index. However, this index remains 1.4% higher than its April 1985 level.

The vegetable products component index was down 0.8% in April and 2.5% lower than a year ago. Decreases for grains (-0.8%), oilseeds (-1.3%) and cocoa, coffee, and tea (-4.3%) were partially offset by increases for fresh fruit (1.0%) and fresh vegetables (4.8%).

A number of metals, including copper, nickel, gold and silver registered price decreases in April, resulting in a 1.8% decline in the index for non-ferrous metals. This index is 2.2% lower than its April 1985 level.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 1980.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, \$15/\$150), available towards the end of June. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Raw Materials Price Index

(1981 = 100)

	Index		% Change	
	Relative Importance	April '86 ¹	April '86/ March '86	April '86/ April '85
Raw materials total	100	89.9	-5.8	-23.9
Mineral fuels	45	75.3	-12.6	-45.6
Vegetable products	11	93.9	-0.8	-2.5
Animal and animal products	20	107.6	-1.3	1.4
Wood products	8	108.4	-0.6	4.0
Ferrous materials	2	109.5	0	-1.4
Non-ferrous metals	11	88.4	-1.8	-2.2
Non-metallic minerals	3	127.4	0.4	2.2
Total excl. mineral fuels	55	102.1	-1.1	0.4

¹ These indexes are preliminary.

Department Store Sales and Stocks

March 1986

Unadjusted Sales

Department stores in Canada reported unadjusted sales totalling \$900.4 million in March 1986, up 6.0% from the March 1985 level. Sales were higher in 28 of the 40 departments for which information is compiled, with the largest increases reported in furs (+25.1%), boys' clothing and furnishings (+18.1%), floor coverings (+15.7%) and jewellery (+15.5%). The most notable decreases were recorded for millinery (-14.2%), smallwares and notions (-14.0%), piece goods (-12.1%) and meals and lunches (-9.3%).

At the provincial level, when compared to last year, department store sales decreased in Prince Edward Island (-4.6%), New Brunswick (-1.6%) and fractionally in Manitoba, while the remaining provinces reported higher sales. Increases ranged from 9.4% in Ontario to 1.1% in Saskatchewan.

Sales also rose in all 10 metropolitan areas surveyed, with increases ranging from 10.9% in Hamilton to a fractional increase in Winnipeg.

Sales by major department stores in March 1986 reached \$553.8 million, up 3.1% from the corresponding month a year earlier, while junior department stores had sales of \$346.6 million, up 11.1% over the same period last year.

Seasonally Adjusted Sales

Adjusted for seasonal fluctuations and the number of trading days, total department store sales in March 1986 increased by 2.3% to \$1,060.8 million from the revised February 1986 level of \$1,036.5 million. Among the 28 departments recording higher sales, the most notable increases were reported in furs (+10.8%), millinery (+9.0%) and gasoline, oil,

auto accessories, repairs and supplies (+7.7%). The largest decreases were registered by the television, radio and music (-9.0%), floor coverings (-7.4%) and china and glassware (-4.9%) departments.

Stocks

The unadjusted selling value of inventories held by department stores in March 1986 was \$4,184.6 million, up 27.8% from March 1985. Seasonally adjusted department store stocks totalled \$4,213.2 million, up 2.5% from the February 1986 revised value of \$4,109.8 million.

Analysis of 1985 Results (Final Data)

Final estimates for 1985 show that department store sales – the fourth largest component of retail trade in Canada according to the kind of business classification – registered a 5.7% gain over 1984, rising to \$12,038.6 million in current dollars from \$11,384.9 million.

Sales by major department store organizations for the year 1985 reached \$7,474.1 million, 4.1% higher than in 1984, while junior department store organizations recorded an increase of 8.5% to \$4,564.5 million. Major department stores accounted for 62.1% of the total sales in 1985, while junior department stores held 37.9%. (In 1984, the corresponding market shares were 63.1% and 36.9%.)

Available on CANSIM: matrix 112.

Users should note that the data for 1985 have been revised.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, \$13/\$130), available the fourth week of June. Contact: Maurice Massaad (613-991-3549), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Housing Starts

April 1986

Housing starts on a seasonally adjusted basis reached 204,000 units for all areas in April 1986, up from 164,000 in March. While activity in the single dwelling sector remained stable, multiple dwelling starts jumped substantially.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 25, 29, 80 (series 1.2, level 8), 4091 and 4092.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, \$15/\$150), scheduled for release the last week of June. Contact: P. Pichette (613-990-9689), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division.

Electric Power Statistics

March 1986

Net generation of electricity in Canada decreased by 0.6% in March 1986 to 40 522 gigawatt hours from 40 765 gigawatt hours a year earlier. Exports of electric power decreased 14.2% to 3 222 gigawatt hours from 3 756 gigawatt hours while imports increased by 509.9% to 944 gigawatt hours from the March 1985 level of 155 gigawatt hours.

During 1986 to date, the net generation of electricity totalled 127 323 gigawatt hours, up 3.2% from the January - March 1985 level of 123 340 gigawatt hours. Exports of electricity rose 6.8% to 9 938 gigawatt hours from 9 301 gigawatt hours and imports advanced 175.8% to 1 515 gigawatt hours from 549 gigawatt hours.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3987-3999.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, \$8/\$80), available the third week of June. Contact: Dave Madsen (613-991-3565), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Exports of Major Grains

April 1986

Export clearances of the major grains during April 1986 were as follows (in thousands of tonnes):

● Total wheat,	976.8;
● Oats,	7.2;
● Barley,	443.5;
● Rye,	21.4;
● Flaxseed,	46.5;
● Canola (rapeseed),	143.7.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2650-2656.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release June 25. Contact: Allister B. Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or T. Depuis (613-991-3860), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Ottawa.

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables

May 1986

Stocks of fruit, frozen and in preservatives, in storage and factories at the opening of the first business day of May totalled 16 596 tonnes compared with 16 545 tonnes last year. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 63 300 tonnes (51 632 in 1985).

Available on CANSIM: matrices 9537-9543.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, \$8/\$80), scheduled for release June 12. Contact: Dave Burroughs (613-990-8714), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

**Electric Power Selling Price
Indexes**

January to April 1986

Electric power selling price indexes (1981=100) are now available from January 1986 to April 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 1979.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, \$15/\$150), available at the end of June. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Publications Released

Oil Pipe Line Transport,
February 1986
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Gas Utilities, January 1986
Catalogue number 55-002
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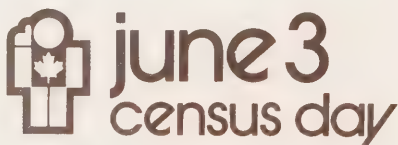
Industry Price Indexes, March 1986
Catalogue number 62-011
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Enrolment in Community Colleges,
1983-84 **Catalogue number 81-222**
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6	Labour Force Survey	May 1986
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13	The Consumer Price Index	May 1986
16-17	Security Transactions with Non-residents	April 1986
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Major Release

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- Exports of crude petroleum decreased 10.1% while exports of natural gas fell 20.4% from the year-earlier level
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Major Release

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production

February 1986

Preliminary figures show production of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons for February 1986 decreased 3.8% from the previous year to 6 748.4 thousand cubic metres.

Exports decreased 10.1% from February 1985 to 2 040.4 thousand cubic metres while imports increased 174.0% to 1 885.3 thousand cubic metres. Canadian refinery receipts of crude oil increased 17.6% to 6 467.0 thousand cubic metres.

Preliminary figures show net withdrawals of natural gas in February 1986 decreased 4.5% from last year, totalling 8 818.3 million cubic metres. Marketable production of natural gas

after treatment at processing plants amounted to 7 086.9 million cubic metres, down 5.8%, while net withdrawals of natural gas liquids (propane, butanes and ethane) reached 1 219.1 thousand cubic metres, a decrease of 3.4% from the previous year.

Exports of natural gas reached 2 123.7 million cubic metres, down 20.4%, while sales in Canada declined 0.1% to 5 866.1 million cubic metres.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 127-128.

Order the February 1986 issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, \$8/\$80), to be released the second week of June. Contact: G. O'Connor (613-991-3562), Industry Division.



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Data Availability Announcements

Air Passenger Origin and Destination Statistics – Domestic Report and Canada-United States Report Fourth Quarter 1985

Air passenger origin and destination data indicate that 3,048,220 passengers travelled on domestic scheduled services during the fourth quarter of 1985, down 0.1% from the 3,051,770 passengers recorded for the fourth quarter of 1984.

The number of passengers travelling on scheduled services between Canada and the United States reached 1,759,130 during the fourth quarter of 1985, up 5.0% from 1,674,920 passengers a year earlier.

Order the Vol. 18, No. 6 *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), available the first week of July. The *Air Passenger Origin and Destination: Domestic Report, 1985* (51-204, \$47) will be available in June. The *Air Passenger Origin and Destination: Canada/United States Report, 1985* (51-205, \$74) is scheduled for release in July. Contact: A. MacDonald (819-997-1989), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation Division.

Coal and Coke Statistics March 1986

Canadian production of coal totalled 5 052 kilotonnes in March 1986, down 8.7% from 5 535 kilotonnes a year earlier. Exports of coal

increased 5.0% to 2 379 kilotonnes in March, up from 2 266 kilotonnes the previous year. Imports of coal were reported at 102 kilotonnes in March 1986. Coke production totalled 404 kilotonnes, down 0.7% from March 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 9.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, \$8/\$80), available the third week of June. Contact: Dave Madsen (613-990-9823), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Shipments of Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers

April 1986

Canadian manufacturers shipped 185 833 thousand square metres of corrugated boxes and wrappers in April 1986, up 11.9% from the 166 036 thousand square metres shipped in April 1985.

January to April 1986 shipments totalled 699 044 thousand square metres, an increase of 8.2% from the 645 926 thousand square metres recorded during the same period in 1985.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 23. Contact: Katherine Blais (613-991-3531), Industry Division.

Publications Released

Cereals and Oilseeds Review, March 1986
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Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, January 1986
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Refined Petroleum Products, February 1986
Catalogue number 45-004
(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

Federal Government Employment, October-December 1985
Catalogue number 72-004
(Canada: \$20/\$80; Other Countries: \$21/\$84)

Quarterly Estimates of Population for Canada, the Provinces and the Territories, January 1986
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Production, Sales and Stocks of Major Appliances

April 1986

Canadian firms produced 220,621 major appliances during April 1986, a decrease of 5.9% from the 233,532 units produced the previous month.

Domestic sales of major appliances by these firms decreased to 161,773 units in April 1986, down 2.4% from March 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 65, 66 and 122 (series 30).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Production, Sales and Stocks of Major Appliances* (43-010, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 13. Contact: Roger Laplante (613-990-9837), Industry Division.

Asphalt Roofing

April 1986

Shipments of asphalt shingles totalled 2 647 641 bundles in April 1986, an increase of 11.6% from the 2 372 938 bundles in April 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 32, 122 (series 27 and 28).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Asphalt Roofing* (45-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 16. Contact: Katherine Blais (613-991-3531), Industry Division.

Gypsum Products

April 1986

Manufacturers shipped 24 801 690 square metres of plain gypsum wallboard in April 1986, up 14.9% from the 21 588 731 square metres shipped the previous year and up 11.9% from the 22 173 585 square metres shipped in March.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 39 and 122 (series 11 and 12).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Gypsum Products* (44-003, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 9. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.

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**Production and Shipments of Steel
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Catalogue number 41-011
(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

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New Housing Price Index, April 1986 2

- New housing prices continued to move upward – 0.6% for April and 6.9% on a year-over-year basis

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Major Release

New Housing Price Index

April 1986

The New Housing Price Index (1981 = 100) for Canada stood at 101.9 in April, up 0.6% from March, continuing an upward movement which has been evident for the last 11 months. This index of Canadian housing contractors' selling prices stands 6.9% higher than the year-earlier level. Between March and April 1986 the estimated house only index increased 0.9%, while the estimated land only index increased 0.1%.

The largest increase in new housing prices in April was in Kitchener-Waterloo (1.7%) which also had the largest annual increase (16.8%). Southern Ontario cities included in the survey continued to exhibit 12-month

increases in excess of 10%. Demand for new houses in these centres remained at a high level and higher costs for construction materials and labour contributed to increased selling prices.

Victoria registered a decrease of 0.6% in April as builders lowered selling prices in order to complete sales. In Alberta, where there is evidence of increased inventories of unsold houses, the recent patterns of price increases were not sustained.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 198.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in September. Contact: the Prices Division (613-990-9601).

New Housing Price Indexes, 1986

(1981 = 100)

	Weights ¹ 1986	Apr. '86	Mar. '86	Apr. '85	% change	
					Apr. '86/ Mar. '86	Apr. '86/ Apr. '85
Canada Total ²	100.0	101.9	101.3	95.3	0.6	6.9
Canada						
(House only)		105.7	104.8	97.9	0.9	8.0
Canada						
(Land only)		95.8	95.7	90.9	0.1	5.4
St. John's	0.94	106.8	106.4	104.8	0.4	1.9
Halifax	2.42	124.5	123.7	121.6	0.6	2.4
Saint John-Moncton	0.91	125.5	125.6	122.3	-0.1	2.6
Quebec City	2.38	130.7	130.0	123.4	0.5	5.9
Montreal	9.97	129.7	128.7	121.5	0.8	6.7
Ottawa-Hull	6.26	129.2	128.4	127.0	0.6	1.7
Toronto	30.44	110.6	110.0	99.0	0.5	11.7
Hamilton	2.75	133.1	131.3	120.4	1.4	10.5
St. Catharines-Niagara	1.06	136.0	134.5	121.4	1.1	12.0
Kitchener-Waterloo	1.65	139.6	137.3	119.5	1.7	16.8
London	1.26	122.7	122.2	109.4	0.4	12.2
Windsor	0.49	113.2	112.5	100.9	0.6	12.2
Winnipeg	2.92	125.3	124.2	117.8	0.9	6.4
Regina	1.10	111.9	111.8	108.2	0.1	3.4
Saskatoon	1.50	104.4	104.1	99.6	0.3	4.8
Calgary	5.29	90.6	90.8	82.1	-0.2	10.4
Edmonton	5.79	85.2	85.2	78.6	-	8.4
Vancouver	19.53	73.4	72.9	73.8	0.7	-0.5
Victoria	2.54	71.9	72.3	75.5	-0.6	-4.8

¹ Surveys in Sudbury and Thunder Bay account for the remaining weight and are secured due to insufficient sample size. The survey has been discontinued in Prince George.

² It should be noted that the linking method and annually updated city weights are such that aggregate indexes cannot be considered as the direct average of their respective associated indexes. In exceptional cases this may cause the level of an aggregate index and its corresponding percentage change figures to fall slightly outside the range of those exhibited by the associated indexes.

- Nil.

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Oil Pipeline Transport

March 1986

Net receipts of crude oil, condensates, pentanes plus, liquefied petroleum gases and petroleum products through Canadian oil pipelines during March 1986 decreased 4.2% to 12 295 985 cubic metres from 12 833 417 cubic metres in March 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 181.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Oil Pipeline Transport* (55-001, \$8/\$80), available the third week of June. Contact: G. O'Connor (613-991-3562), Industry Division.

Gas Utilities

February 1986

Sales of natural gas in Canada amounted to 5 862 million cubic metres in February 1986.

Reported exports to the United States were 2 124 million cubic metres during February 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 182 and 1052-1055.

Order the February 1986 issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, \$10/\$100), available the week of June 16. Contact: Gary Smalldridge (613-991-3567), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Cement

April 1986

Manufacturers shipped 847 137 tonnes of cement in April 1986, up 20.0% from the 705 834 tonnes shipped the previous year and up 69.3% from the 500 358 tonnes shipped in March 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 92 and 122 (series 13).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Cement* (44-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 9. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.



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Retail Trade

March 1986

Unadjusted Sales

Preliminary estimates of total retail trade for March 1986 indicate an increase of 4.2% over the same month last year, totalling \$10,540.7 million in current dollars (not adjusted for inflation). Increased sales in March 1986 as compared to March 1985 were reported by all kinds of businesses surveyed with the exception of garages (-3.8%), combination stores (-2.4%) and sporting goods and accessories stores (-1.4%). The most notable gains were registered by used car dealers (+23.3%), florists (+21.8%), book and stationery stores (+18.9%) and household appliance stores (+15.9%).

With the exception of Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, which both registered sales decreases of 0.1%, all other provinces and territories reported higher sales in March 1986 over the corresponding month in 1985. The gains ranged from 6.1% in Alberta to 0.9% in Saskatchewan. At the metropolitan area level, sales advanced in all cities for which data are published: Montreal (+6.9%), Toronto (+6.2%), Winnipeg (+4.1%) and Vancouver (+3.7%).

The revised retail sales estimates for February 1986 amounted to \$9,216.9 million, an increase of 9.8% over February 1985.

Seasonally Adjusted Sales

Adjusted for seasonal fluctuations and the number of trading days, retail sales totalled \$11,238.1 million in current dollars in March 1986, a decrease of 0.6% from the previous month's revised total of \$11,301.4 million. The largest sales increases were recorded by florists (+10.1%) and variety stores (+8.3%). In contrast, major decreases were posted by motor vehicle dealers (-8.3%) and jewellery stores (-1.6%).

In March 1986, when compared to February 1986, higher sales were reported in three provinces: Saskatchewan (+0.7%), British Columbia (+0.3%) and Ontario (+0.1%). Sales

remained unchanged in Quebec, while lower sales were registered in the remaining provinces and territories, with decreases ranging from 4.5% in the Yukon and Northwest Territories to 0.3% in Manitoba. At the metropolitan area level, sales climbed in all four cities surveyed: Montreal (+1.3%), Vancouver (+0.2%), Winnipeg (+0.2%) and Toronto (+0.1%).

Analysis of 1985 Results (Final Data)

The final estimate of total retail sales in Canada for 1985 amounted to \$129,446.3 million in current dollars, an increase of 11.5% over the 1984 level of \$116,079.9 million.

All provinces recorded sales increases as compared to a year earlier, with gains varying from 15.2% in Manitoba to 5.1% in Prince Edward Island. Sales rose in all of the four metropolitan areas surveyed: Winnipeg (+15.0%); Toronto (+12.8%); Montreal (+9.1%) and Vancouver (+8.9%).
(see table on page 3)

Note to data users:

As is customary with the March issue, unadjusted monthly retail sales estimates for the previous year (1985) have been revised to incorporate late responses, changes in classification and new chain store organizations. It should also be noted that seasonally adjusted retail sales estimates have been revised for the period January 1972 to date, and incorporate the latest unadjusted sales data as well as updated trading day adjustment factors.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2300-2304, 2306-2313, 2315-2317, and 2320,2321.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, \$14/\$140), available the fourth week of June. Contact: Lina Di Piéto (613-991-3551) or Maurice Massaad (613-991-3549), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

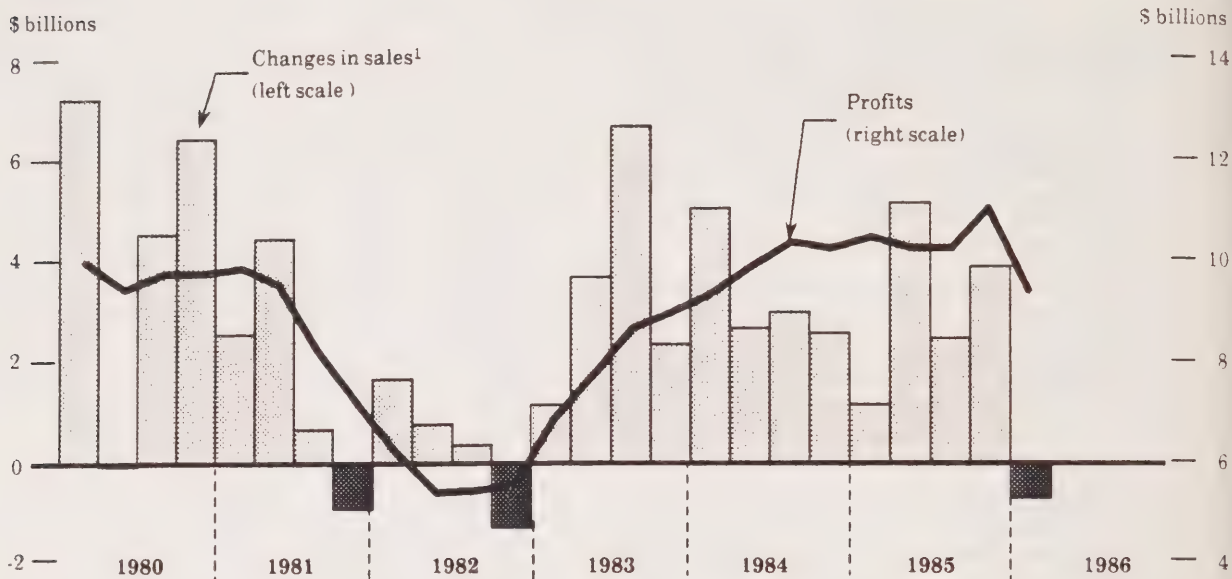
Retail Trade, Canada, by Kind of Business

Kind of business	Unadjusted sales all stores				Seasonally adjusted sales all stores		
	Mar. '85	Feb. '86 ^r	Mar. '86 ^p	Mar. '86/85	Feb. '86 ^r	Mar. '86 ^p	Mar./Feb. '86
	(millions of \$)			%	(millions of \$)		%
Combination stores (groceries and meat)	2,007.3	1,829.3	1,957.4	-2.4	2,016.5	2,011.5	-0.3
Grocery, confectionery and sundries stores	482.4	488.6	536.3	11.1	577.2	572.5	-0.8
All other food stores	179.9	178.1	206.9	15.0	209.5	217.3	3.7
Department stores	849.1	696.1	900.4	6.0	1,036.5	1,060.8	2.3
General merchandise stores	195.2	161.8	213.0	9.1	222.1	235.5	6.0
General stores	152.5	139.4	160.9	5.4	174.8	176.5	1.0
Variety stores	90.9	71.3	95.9	5.4	105.9	114.7	8.3
Motor vehicle dealers	2,253.0	2,032.5	2,296.3	1.9	2,334.1	2,141.3	-8.3
Used car dealers	54.3	49.5	67.0	23.3	58.9	62.8	6.6
Service stations	878.0	837.6	888.3	1.1	938.8	929.7	-1.0
Garages	122.2	105.5	117.4	-3.8	124.6	124.2	-0.3
Automotive parts and accessories stores	175.9	149.5	190.7	8.4	245.1	253.6	3.5
Men's clothing stores	85.3	67.7	89.2	4.5	111.9	114.3	2.2
Women's clothing stores	207.8	161.4	212.3	2.1	237.4	242.3	2.1
Family clothing stores	132.9	108.0	145.1	9.2	165.5	167.0	1.0
Specialty shoe stores	14.7	12.3	15.4	4.4	18.0	18.6	3.5
Family shoe stores	72.2	55.7	78.5	8.7	93.9	97.2	3.5
Hardware stores	73.1	64.6	79.5	8.7	101.5	103.6	2.1
Household furniture stores	121.7	108.0	129.2	6.1	134.7	137.6	2.1
Household appliance stores	38.2	40.3	44.3	15.9	49.8	50.4	1.2
Furniture, TV, radio and appliance stores	87.5	74.6	90.3	3.1	93.1	93.5	0.4
Pharmacies, patent medicine and cosmetics stores	407.5	449.0	462.6	13.5	489.7	486.9	-0.6
Book and stationery stores	49.5	51.9	58.9	18.9	61.3	64.9	5.9
Florists	33.1	43.7	40.3	21.8	41.8	46.0	10.1
Jewellery stores	50.3	52.3	53.0	5.4	82.2	80.9	-1.6
Sporting goods and accessories stores	132.9	106.7	130.9	-1.4	158.3	157.2	-0.7
Personal accessories stores	115.2	115.6	129.7	12.6	150.6	152.6	1.3
All other stores	1,044.9	965.6	1,150.8	10.1	1,268.0	1,324.6	4.5
All stores - Total	10,107.5	9,216.9	10,540.7	4.2	11,301.4	11,238.1	-0.6

^p Preliminary.

^r Revised.

All Industries (Seasonally Adjusted)



¹ Changes are measured as quarter-to-quarter differences in level of sales.

Industrial Corporations: Financial Statistics

First Quarter 1986

In the first quarter of 1986, seasonally adjusted pre-tax profits of industrial corporations declined 15.4% from the previous quarter to \$9.3 billion – the largest drop recorded in recent years. Most of the decline was accounted for by the mineral fuels and petroleum industries and reflected falling crude oil prices.

Excluding the mineral fuels and petroleum and coal industries, the remaining 45 industries registered a 3.9% decrease in pre-tax profits from the fourth quarter of 1985. Profits in individual industries varied, with 24 posting increases while 21 industries registered declines. In dollar terms the decline was most pronounced in transportation equipment (-\$224 million). The largest increase was in the communications industry (\$59 million).

The ability of corporations to meet interest charges out of current profits, measured by the interest coverage ratio, decreased to 2.6 from 2.9 last quarter and 2.8 in the third quarter of 1985. The actual level of interest expenses stood at \$5.7 billion, continuing a very gradual increase since the level of \$5.5 billion recorded in the first quarter of 1985.

Industry Highlights (Seasonally Adjusted)

Data users should note that since the fourth quarter of 1985, a number of petroleum extraction activities previously classified to the petroleum products industry were moved to the mineral fuels industry. This shift took place as a consequence of reorganizations of certain integrated companies. It affects the sales and profits of both industries described in the highlights.

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Mineral Fuels

As a result of the falling world price of crude oil, pre-tax profits in mineral fuels dropped from \$1.8 billion in the fourth quarter of 1985 to \$1.0 billion. Sales of this industry fell from \$6.4 billion to \$6.2 billion in the same period.

Petroleum and coal products

The impact of lower crude and refined oil prices coupled with the shifts in activities back to mineral fuels noted above accounted for the decline in both profits and sales. Pre-tax profits dropped by almost half, from \$1.2 billion last quarter to \$0.7 billion this quarter. Sales declined from \$6.6 billion to \$5.8 billion.

Transportation equipment

Increased costs related to retail financing and other buyer incentive programs given by the automobile industry were responsible for a \$224 million reduction in profits to \$561 million. Sales of the industry remained strong. At \$13.8 billion, they were well above the \$11.4 billion average quarterly sales level of the past three years, despite being down from \$14.2 billion last quarter.

Non-metallic minerals

Because fourth quarter 1985 profits had contained unusually high dividend income, pre-tax profits fell by almost half to \$155 million.

Industrial Corporations: Financial Statistics

First Quarter 1986

This level closely approximates the average earnings for the first three quarters of 1985. Sales remained at \$1.6 billion, slightly above levels recorded in the first three quarters of 1985.

Retail department stores

Pre-tax profits were down \$91 million, falling to \$35 million in the first quarter from the recent high of \$126 million in the fourth quarter of 1985. Sales of the industry dropped \$0.7 billion to \$4.8 billion in the quarter.

Among industries showing offsetting increases, the most marked was in the **communications industry** where profits increased from \$499 million to \$558 million. Sales of the industry only rose 1% to \$2.8 billion.

The data cover non-government owned corporations in Canada except those in the agriculture, fishing and finance industries. More detailed statistics for the 47 industry groups are now available on CANSIM: matrices 4780-4921 and 4928-4942.

Order *Industrial Corporations: Financial Statistics* (61-003P), available the second week of June. Contact: Gail Campbell or Bill Potter (613-990-9843), Industrial Organization and Finance Division.

	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted		
	1985 3 rd Quarter	1985 4 th Quarter	1986 1 st Quarter	1984 1 st Quarter	1985 1 st Quarter	1986 1 st Quarter
(millions of dollars)						
Sales:						
All industries	181,880	185,776	185,100	159,692	168,913	179,758
Mining	9,140	9,322	9,021	8,213	8,990	9,127
Manufacturing	67,741	69,060	68,809	60,198	64,222	66,936
Other	104,999	107,394	107,270	91,281	95,701	103,695
Profit before taxes:						
All industries	10,170	10,951	9,265	8,992	10,066	8,886
Mining	1,692	1,871	1,034	1,779	1,967	1,174
Manufacturing	4,118	4,875	4,119	3,557	4,098	3,702
Other	4,360	4,205	4,112	3,656	4,001	4,010
Net profit after taxes (excluding extraordinary items):						
All industries	6,224	6,258	5,520	5,034	5,773	5,160
Mining	613	650	351	621	704	378
Manufacturing	2,673	2,973	2,589	2,066	2,473	2,289
Other	2,938	2,635	2,580	2,347	2,596	2,493

Construction in Canada

1984-1986

Total construction activity in Canada is expected to reach \$63.8 billion in 1986, up 3.9% from 1985. Current estimates indicate that the increase will originate mostly in housing construction, manufacturing and in finance. Partially offsetting decreases are expected for mining and for the commercial sector.

On a regional basis, advances are anticipated for Manitoba and Ontario while Nova Scotia and Newfoundland will register notable decreases.

As to the types of construction, the building portion is expected to fare best, increasing by 9.1% while engineering posts a drop of 3.2%.

Housing is expected to be the key contributor to the strength for building construction.

These estimates for construction supplement those published in *Private and Public Investment in Canada, Intentions 1986* (61-205) and are derived from the data collected in the investment surveys.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2849-2850, 2855-2857, 3721-3774.

Order *Construction in Canada, 1984-1986* (64-201, \$35), available the end of June. Contact: Duncan Lusick or Margaret Hartley (613-990-9815), Capital Expenditures Section, Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division.

Total Value of Construction Work Purchased - Type of Structure by New and Repair, Canada

1984-1986^{1,2}

Type of Structure	1984			1985			1986		
	New	Repair	Total	New	Repair	Total	New	Repair	Total
(thousands of dollars)									
Construction - Total	45,770,226	10,804,252	56,574,478	50,196,351	11,253,086	61,449,437	52,042,970	11,779,291	63,822,261
Building Construction - Total	24,244,606	7,166,984	31,411,590	27,838,364	7,498,668	35,335,032	30,584,349	7,965,075	38,549,424
Residential	12,579,896	4,067,417	16,647,313	14,436,778	4,313,321	18,750,099	16,600,560	4,576,823	21,177,383
Industrial	1,859,982	848,025	2,708,007	2,324,025	891,415	3,215,440	2,459,698	935,686	3,395,384
Commercial	5,874,296	1,254,779	7,129,075	6,857,072	1,344,335	8,201,407	7,117,949	1,444,798	8,562,747
Institutional	2,360,048	564,177	2,924,225	2,598,546	544,539	3,143,085	2,821,115	583,274	3,404,389
Other building construction	1,570,384	432,586	2,002,970	1,619,943	405,058	2,025,001	1,585,027	424,494	2,009,521
Engineering Construction - Total	21,525,820	3,637,268	25,162,888	22,359,987	3,754,418	26,114,405	21,458,621	3,814,216	25,272,837
Marine construction	375,735	98,337	474,072	390,283	93,698	483,981	390,604	91,987	482,591
Road, highway and airport runways	3,324,481	951,762	4,276,243	3,667,267	981,156	4,648,423	3,551,243	962,369	4,513,612
Waterworks and sewage systems	1,912,888	257,235	2,170,123	1,927,084	220,913	2,147,997	2,030,426	206,875	2,237,301
Dams and irrigation	237,102	35,196	272,298	275,753	27,661	303,414	296,315	28,170	324,485
Electric power construction	3,285,235	378,141	3,663,376	3,118,296	375,736	3,494,032	3,094,597	396,465	3,491,062
Railway, telephone and telegraph	1,753,101	970,790	2,723,891	1,701,283	1,026,378	2,727,661	1,596,361	1,080,198	2,676,559
Gas and oil facilities	7,955,025	596,704	8,551,729	8,466,709	711,220	9,177,929	7,851,858	728,355	8,580,213
Other engineering construction	2,682,053	349,103	3,031,156	2,913,312	317,656	3,130,968	2,647,217	319,797	2,967,014

¹ Actual expenditures 1984, preliminary actual 1985, intentions 1986.

² In the Statistics Canada report *Private and Public Investment in Canada*, the total value of construction work purchased is given as \$56,572.5 million for 1984, \$61,448.8 million for 1985 and \$63,821.7 million for 1986.

Data Availability Announcements

1984 Census of Mines

Mining Industry	1980 SIC	CANSIM Matrix	Value of production		% Change
			1983	1984	
			(\$ million)		
Metal mines	061	7956	6,855.1	8,212.3	19.8
Gold mines	0611	7951	961.0	964.2	0.3
Silver-lead-zinc mines	0614	7952	819.3	1,068.2	30.4
Nickel-copper-zinc mines	0612 - 0613	7953	3,088.7	3,651.3	18.2
Iron mines	0617	7954	1,259.1	1,423.1	13.0
Other miscellaneous metal mines	0615 - 0616 - 0619	7955	727.0	1,105.6	52.1
Non-metal mines (except coal)	062	7962	1,407.4	1,740.7	23.7
Asbestos mines	0621	7957	382.2	364.7	-4.6
Peat industry	0622	7959	58.4	63.5	8.7
Gypsum mines	0623	7958	58.3	62.0	6.3
Potash mines	0624	7960	627.7	925.9	47.5
Other miscellaneous non-metal mines (except coal)	0625 - 0629	7961	280.8	324.6	15.6
Fuels industry	063 - 071	7969	24,195.8	27,639.1	14.2
Coal mines	063	7967	1,265.5	1,716.2	35.6
Crude petroleum and natural gas industry	071	7968	22,930.2	25,922.9	13.1
Quarry and sand pit industries	08	7965	313.1	383.9	22.6
Stone quarries	081	7963	183.4	241.0	31.4
Sand and gravel pits	082	7964	129.7	142.9	10.2
Industrial minerals sector	062 - 08	7966	1,720.6	2,124.6	23.5

For further information on the fuels industry, coal mines and crude petroleum and natural gas please contact M.I. Cavanagh (613-991-3569), Industry Division. For information on all other mineral industries please contact J. Brennan (613-995-9466), Information Systems Division, Energy Mines and Resources.

Steel Ingots

Week Ending May 31, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending May 31, 1986 totalled 263 627 tonnes, a decrease of 5.3% from the preceding week's total of 278 347 tonnes and down 9.0% from the year-earlier level of 289 550 tonnes.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Airport Activity Statistics: Scheduled Services

August 1985

Advance airport activity data indicate that over 25.9 million passengers travelling on scheduled services enplaned and deplaned at the top 10 Canadian airports during the first eight months of 1985, an increase of 2.0% over the same period in 1984. The top 10 airports recorded considerable variations in passenger traffic ranging from a -1.9% decrease at Edmonton International to an 8.5% gain at Halifax International. Seven airports showed gains in traffic.

Order the Vol. 18, No. 5 *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), available this week. Contact: K. Davidson (819-997-1386), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation Division.

Chemical and Petrochemical Plant Price Indexes

First Quarter 1986

The Chemical and Petrochemical Plant Price Index (1981 = 100) rose to a preliminary level of 124.5 in the first quarter of 1986, up 1.1% from the previous quarter.

An increase of 1.9% for the machinery and equipment component was spurred on by a 3.2% rise in fabricated equipment prices, largely due to higher prices for stainless steel. Electrical equipment rose 2.4%, while smaller increases were posted for process machinery (1.6%), piping, valves and fittings (0.5%) and process instruments (1.1%). Structural support, paint and insulation remained unchanged. Construction labour stayed at the same level for the second consecutive quarter and was directly responsible for the construction indirects advancing only 0.2%. Helping to moderate the overall increase were lesser increases for buildings (0.6%) and engineering, design and administration (0.7%).

On an annual basis, comparing the first quarter 1986 with the same quarter of 1985, percentage increases for the major components ranged from 2.7% to 3.6%.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 294.

Order the first quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in June. Contact: Les Graham (613-990-9601), Capital Expenditures, Prices Division.

Chemical and Mineral Process Plant Price Indexes

First Quarter 1986

The Chemical and Mineral Process Plant Price Index (1981=100) reached a preliminary level of 124.6 in the first quarter of 1986, up 0.7% from the previous period.

The machinery and equipment component climbed 0.9%. Strong price advances for pumps and compressors (2.0), electric equipment (1.7%), and process machinery (1.3%) were softened by lesser increases for fabricated equipment (0.6%), piping, valves, fittings and other utilities equipment (0.4%). Structural support, paint and insulation were unchanged. Stable labour rates led to the field erection component increasing only marginally (0.1%). Buildings and engineering, design and administration kept pace with the overall movement with increases of 0.6% and 0.7% respectively.

On an annual basis, comparing the first quarter of 1986 with the same quarter of 1985, the percentage increases for the major components ranged from 3.2% to 4.2%.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 291.

Order the first quarter issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in June. Contact: Les Graham (613-990-9601), Capital Expenditures, Prices Division.

Electrical Appliances

April 1986

Canadian electrical appliance firms produced 128,311 kitchen appliances, 38,431 household vacuum cleaners and 13,852 home comfort products in April 1986.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances* (43-003, \$4/\$40), to be released mid-June. Contact: Roger Laplante (613-990-9837), Industry Division.

Rigid Insulating Board

April 1986

Shipments of rigid insulating board totalled 4 896 thousand square metres (12.7 mm basis) in April 1986, an increase of 28.9% from the 3 798 thousand square metres (12.7 mm basis) shipped in April 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 31 and 122 (series 4-7).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Rigid Insulating Board* (36-002, \$4/\$40), to be released the second week of June. Contact: Katherine Blais (613-991-3531), Industry Division.



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Major Releases

Labour Force Survey

May 1986

Overview

Estimates from Statistics Canada's Labour Force Survey for May 1986 show that the seasonally adjusted employment level declined by 68,000 while the unemployment rate remained at 9.6 for the third consecutive month. The drop in the seasonally adjusted estimate of employment reflects a smaller than average increase in employment levels between April and May.

Employment

For the week ended May 17, 1986, the seasonally adjusted employment estimate was 11,614,000 - down 68,000 from the preceding month. Employment fell by 46,000 for men (6,654,000) and by 22,000 for women (4,960,000). It declined by 41,000 among persons in the 15 to 24 age group (2,426,000) with 35,000 of the decline accounted for by young men. Employment declined by 27,000 for those aged 25 and over, to 9,188,000.

Full-time employment dropped by 52,000 reaching a level of 9,781,000. The estimate of part-time employment fell to 1,829,000 in May, a decrease of 15,000 (14,000 for males).

Employment decreased in agriculture (-8,000), the other primary industries (-3,000), manufacturing (-56,000) and construction (-22,000). It increased by 10,000 in the finance, insurance and real estate sector. There was little or no change in the other industries.

The seasonally adjusted employment estimates fell by 4,000 in Nova Scotia, 21,000 in Quebec, 23,000 in Ontario, 6,000 in Saskatchewan and 11,000 in Alberta. There was little or no change in the other provinces.

Unemployment

In May 1986, the estimated level of unemployment declined by 11,000 to 1,228,000. Unemployment increased by 5,000 among males in the 15 to 24 age group and declined by 13,000 among women aged 25 and over. The

overall level of unemployment was little changed at 440,000 in the 15 to 24 age group and decreased to 788,000 (-14,000) among those aged 25 and over.

The estimated unemployment level fell by 3,000 in Newfoundland and 34,000 in Quebec. It rose by 3,000 in Nova Scotia, 8,000 in Ontario and 6,000 in Alberta. There was little or no change in the number of unemployed persons in the other provinces.

Unemployment Rate

In May 1986, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate remained at 9.6 for the third consecutive month. It rose by 0.4 to 15.4 among persons aged 15 to 24 and fell by 0.1 to 7.9 in the 25 and over age group.

The unemployment rate declined by 1.2 to 18.5 in Newfoundland, by 1.2 to 12.3 in Prince Edward Island, by 0.3 to 14.6 in New Brunswick, by 0.8 to 10.6 in Quebec and by 0.2 to 12.2 in British Columbia. It rose by 0.7 to 13.5 in Nova Scotia, by 0.2 to 7.0 in Ontario, by 0.3 to 7.9 in Saskatchewan and by 0.5 to 10.2 in Alberta. The rate remained stable at 8.2 in Manitoba.

Participation Rate

The seasonally adjusted participation rate declined to 65.6 in May 1986, with a decrease of 0.5 observed for both men (76.8) and women (54.9). The rate fell in all age groups, but especially for males aged 15 to 24, where a decline of 1.4 cancelled out the gains observed in February and April.

The participation rate decreased in all provinces except Manitoba and British Columbia, where it remained stable.

Employment/Population Ratio

The seasonally adjusted employment/population ratio dropped by 0.4 to 59.4 in May 1986. The ratio fell among males and females of all ages, but particularly for males aged 15 to 24. It declined by 0.9 to 58.2 for the 15 to 24 age group and by 0.2 to 59.7 for persons aged 25 and over.

Unadjusted Data

In May 1986, the unadjusted employment estimate was 11,696,000 - an increase of 284,000 (+2.5%) from a year earlier. The unemployment level was estimated at 1,227,000, down 7.7% or down 102,000 (-7.7%) from May 1985. The unemployment rate declined by 0.9 over the 12-month period to 9.5. The participation rate was 66.0, a slight rise (0.1) from a year earlier. The employment/population ratio was 59.8, a gain of 0.8 over the same period.

Student Data

As in previous years, labour force data for returning and other students will be collected during the May to September period. Returning students are defined as persons 15 to 24 years of age who attended school full-time in March and plan to return to school in the fall.

In May 1986, the unadjusted unemployment rate among returning students aged 15 to 24 was estimated at 14.2, a decrease of 1.2 from

a year earlier (15.4). The unemployment rate declined by 1.1 from May 1985 among those in the 15 to 19 age group, to 13.2 in May 1986. In the 20 to 24 age group, the unemployment rate declined by 1.3 from a year earlier, to 16.6. The estimated level of employment for students returning to school was 758,000, a jump of 62,000 (+8.9%) over last year. The participation rate and the employment/population ratio both rose from last year, posting gains of 2.2 and 2.5, respectively. The participation rate rose to 50.8 and the employment/population ratio to 43.6.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2074, 2075, 2078-2099, 2101-2107 and table 00799999.

Order the May 1986 issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, \$20/\$200), available the third week of June. Contact: Ken Bennett (613-990-9448), Household Surveys Division.

For summary information, available on the day of release, order *Labour Force Information* (71-001P, \$5/\$50).

Labour Force Characteristics, Canada

	May 1986	April 1986	May 1985
Seasonally Adjusted Data			
Labour Force ('000)	12,842	12,921	12,641
Employment ('000)	11,614	11,682	11,322
Unemployment ('000)	1,228	1,239	1,319
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.6	9.6	10.4
Participation Rate (%)	65.6	66.1	65.3
Employment/Population Ratio (%)	59.4	59.8	58.5
Unadjusted Data			
Labour Force ('000)	12,924	12,734	12,741
Employment ('000)	11,696	11,431	11,412
Unemployment ('000)	1,227	1,303	1,329
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.5	10.2	10.4
Participation Rate (%)	66.0	65.1	65.9
Employment/Population Ratio (%)	59.8	58.5	59.0

Gross Domestic Product

(seasonally adjusted data)

March 1986 and First Quarter 1986

Monthly Overview

Preliminary estimates show that overall production, as measured by Gross Domestic Product, declined 0.8% in March following an increase of 0.5% in February and a decrease of 0.1% in January. Goods-producing industries, which account for about 40% of GDP, were responsible for three-quarters of the decline.

Data users should note that raw production estimates for March for a number of manufacturing industries have been adjusted upward to reflect the reduced number of working days resulting from Easter occurring in March for the first time since 1978. These adjustments will be reviewed when data for April are available.

Quarterly Overview

Gross Domestic Product in the first quarter rose 0.3%. This followed increases in the previous three quarters that were fairly strong in terms of the past decade: 1.4% in the fourth quarter of 1985, 1.5% in the third quarter and 1.1% in the second. Despite the weak first quarter growth, the net effect of these movements was to leave the GDP 4.4% above its level in the first quarter of 1985.

Output of goods-producing industries was little changed in the quarter (-0.1%), after average quarterly increases of 1.4% through 1985. Output of service-producing industries rose 0.5%, but the increase was about half the quarterly rate recorded during 1985.

Goods-producing Industries

Widespread output declines in manufacturing were responsible for a large part of the March decline in goods-producing industries. Other goods-producing industries registering declines in output were mining, utilities, construction and forestry. Only agriculture and fishing and trapping increased in the month.

Manufacturers' output fell 2.0% in March. While decreases in output were broadly based some of the major contributors were transportation equipment, food and beverages, metal

fabricated products, machinery, primary metals, chemicals, and textiles. One factor in a number of these declines was decreased exports of automobiles, trucks, primary metals, and machinery.

The decrease in mining output was primarily due to the second consecutive decline in crude petroleum exploration and development activities which may have been affected by falling oil prices. Reduced natural gas exports were a factor in a decline in production of the crude petroleum and natural gas industry. Output of a number of metal mines industries also decreased.

Electric power generation dropped 2.4% in March following a gain of 2.1% in February. Milder temperatures during the month in some provinces, especially in Quebec, and a sharp fall in exports of electric power to the United States contributed to the decline.

Service-producing Industries

Output of service-producing industries declined 0.3% in March following a 0.4% gain in February. Several transportation and wholesale trade industries were major contributors to the decline. In addition, output decreases were reported by motor vehicle dealers in retail trade, local and provincial government – at least partly due to labour disputes – and insurance and real estate agencies.

In transportation, output decreases occurred in rail, truck and water transport – industries involved primarily in the transportation of goods. In wholesale trade which commonly has large month-to-month swings in output, most of the decrease can be traced to declines in electrical machinery and equipment – for the fourth consecutive month – and miscellaneous machinery. The fourth decline in five months in real estate sales was responsible for the decline in output of insurance and real estate agencies; since October, output for this industry has fallen by 16.5%.

Motor vehicle dealers posted a drop of almost 8% in March, reducing their output level in the first quarter of 1986 below the third and fourth quarters of 1985. Retail trade excluding motor vehicle dealers advanced by 1.0%, based on gains in most store types.

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One of the few notable gains in individual industries was the 10% increase in security brokers and dealers, an industry that gained more than 40% since October 1985. (see tables on pages 5 and 6)

Order the March 1986 issue of *Gross Domestic Product by Industry* (61-005, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release at the end of June. Contact: Ron Kennedy (613-990-9145), Industry Measures and Analysis Division.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1130 and 1131.

Gross Domestic Product in Constant (1971) Prices (Seasonally Adjusted at Annual Rates)

1970 SIC	March 1985	December 1985	January 1986	February 1986	March 1986
(\$ millions)					
1-11 Gross domestic product	128,502.0	133,381.4	133,237.7	133,849.8	132,763.0
1 Agriculture	3,197.1	3,232.1	3,213.3	3,194.4	3,218.7
2 Forestry	846.2	842.9	881.7	919.9	891.1
3 Fishing and trapping	202.8	183.4	180.5	181.9	188.8
4 Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3,552.2	3,632.0	3,678.8	3,556.7	3,429.5
5 Manufacturing industries	26,875.2	28,288.0	28,348.2	28,696.3	28,130.6
6 Construction industry	6,200.2	6,773.5	6,704.1	6,696.4	6,653.3
7 Transportation, communication and other utilities	18,540.2	19,292.5	19,340.2	19,490.2	19,220.9
8 Trade	17,364.3	18,373.3	17,990.7	18,216.0	18,151.8
9 Finance, insurance and real estate	17,448.3	18,003.0	18,107.7	18,109.7	18,086.0
10 Community, business and personal service industries	25,601.2	25,956.6	26,014.3	26,022.2	26,074.2
11 Public administration and defence	8,674.2	8,804.1	8,778.0	8,766.1	8,718.1
Industry groupings:					
Goods-producing industries	45,469.1	47,809.6	47,734.3	48,027.9	47,202.3
Service-producing industries	83,032.9	85,571.8	85,503.4	85,821.9	85,560.7
Commercial industries	108,685.7	113,392.6	113,265.9	113,878.8	112,821.6
Non-commercial industries	19,816.3	19,988.9	19,971.8	19,971.0	19,941.4
Industrial production	35,022.8	36,777.6	36,754.6	37,035.3	36,250.4

Gross Domestic Product in Constant (1971) Prices

(Seasonally Adjusted at Annual Rates)

1970 SIC		1985 I	1985 II	1985 III	1985 IV	1986 I
(\$ millions)						
1-11	Gross domestic product	127,686.6	129,104.2	131,103.7	132,944.2	133,283.5
1	Agriculture	3,196.2	3,109.1	3,172.0	3,156.7	3,208.8
2	Forestry	877.2	798.7	795.8	871.7	897.6
3	Fishing and trapping	178.9	159.0	152.8	179.8	183.7
4	Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3,556.3	3,519.6	3,457.7	3,595.7	3,555.0
5	Manufacturing industries	26,832.3	27,298.4	28,062.0	28,344.3	28,391.7
6	Construction industry	6,165.0	6,513.3	6,685.6	6,781.8	6,684.6
7	Transportation, communication and other utilities	18,483.2	18,557.4	18,715.1	19,125.3	19,350.4
8	Trade	16,892.0	17,140.2	17,608.4	18,108.8	18,119.5
9	Finance, insurance and real estate	17,385.3	17,676.7	17,974.3	18,050.1	18,101.1
10	Community, business and personal service industries	25,439.0	25,651.0	25,738.4	25,930.0	26,036.9
11	Public administration and defence	8,681.1	8,680.9	8,741.8	8,800.0	8,754.1
Industry groupings:						
	Goods-producing industries	45,373.8	45,967.4	46,995.1	47,702.3	47,654.8
	Service-producing industries	82,312.8	83,136.9	84,108.7	85,241.9	85,628.7
	Commercial industries	107,883.7	109,291.0	111,201.9	112,964.5	113,322.1
	Non-commercial industries	19,802.9	19,813.2	19,901.8	19,979.7	19,961.4
	Industrial production	34,956.4	35,387.3	36,189.0	36,712.3	36,680.1

Indexes of Gross Domestic Product by Industry in Constant (1971) Prices

(Seasonally Adjusted)

(1971 = 100)

1970 SIC		March 1985	December 1985	January 1986	February 1986	March 1986
(\$ millions)						
1-11	Gross domestic product	154.3	160.2	160.0	160.8	159.5
1	Agriculture	118.6	119.9	119.2	118.5	119.4
2	Forestry	126.4	125.9	131.7	137.4	133.1
3	Fishing and trapping	137.6	124.4	122.5	123.4	128.1
4	Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	112.9	115.4	116.9	113.0	109.0
5	Manufacturing industries	141.1	148.6	148.9	150.7	147.7
6	Construction industry	106.1	115.9	114.7	114.5	113.8
7	Transportation, communication and other utilities	183.8	191.3	191.8	193.2	190.6
8	Trade	177.1	187.4	183.5	185.8	185.1
9	Finance, insurance and real estate	182.0	187.7	188.8	188.9	188.6
10	Community, business and personal service industries	159.2	161.4	161.8	161.8	162.1
11	Public administration and defence	141.0	143.1	142.7	142.5	141.7
Industry groupings:						
	Goods-producing industries	134.8	141.7	141.5	142.3	139.9
	Service-producing industries	167.7	172.8	172.7	173.3	172.8
	Commercial industries	159.8	166.7	166.6	167.5	165.9
	Non-commercial industries	129.9	131.0	130.9	130.9	130.7
	Industrial production	143.6	150.8	150.8	151.9	148.7

Building Permits

March 1986

The seasonally adjusted value of building permits issued by Canadian municipalities in March slipped slightly to \$1,925.2 million from \$1,931.7 million in February. A notable gain recorded in the non-residential sector did not quite offset a drop in the residential sector.

The seasonally adjusted value of residential permits in March dropped 7.2% to \$1,086.0 million from \$1,170.7 million in February. The overall decrease reflected a decline in the single-family dwelling sector that was only partially offset by an increase in the multi-family dwelling sector. In spite of the decline, the level of residential construction intentions remained comparatively strong. Looked at in terms of both constant dollars and the number of dwelling units authorized, the first quarter of 1986 marked the best first quarter performance in the residential sector since 1977. On a seasonally adjusted basis, 16,875 units were approved in March (9,325 single detached and 7,550 multiple dwellings), down 11.3% from 19,034 units authorized in February (10,831

single detached and 8,203 multiple dwellings). In annual terms, these approvals represent 202,500 units in March and 228,400 units in February. Except for the province of Quebec, all other regions recorded decreases in residential building permits in March.

The seasonally adjusted value of non-residential projects in March rose 10.3% to \$831.1 million. This is the best performance recorded in the non-residential sector since April 1985 (\$856.0 million). All components increased in March: the commercial sector showed an appreciable rise (+15.1%), followed by the industrial (+6.0%) and the public (+3.4%) sectors. The value of non-residential permits increased in all regions except British Columbia.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 129, 137, 443, 989-991, 994, 995 and 4073.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, \$20/\$200), scheduled for release the third week of July. Contact: Gaétan Lemay (613-990-9689), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division.

Building Permits Issued in Canada

	Unadjusted				Adjusted				% Change	
	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Feb. 1985	Mar. ¹ 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Feb. 1985	Mar. '86/ Feb. '86	Mar. '86/ Mar. '85
(\$ millions)										
Residential	990.3	736.1	769.8	435.5	1,086.0	1,170.7	774.4	707.5	-7.2	40.2
Industrial	124.7	107.4	98.5	48.5	179.2	169.0	135.9	78.9	6.0	127.1
Commercial	387.7	271.0	258.8	210.8	470.0	408.2	293.8	309.4	15.1	60.0
Institutional and governmental	153.7	145.5	146.8	134.3	190.0	183.8	165.4	172.7	3.4	14.9
Total	1,656.4	1,260.0	1,273.9	829.1	1,925.2	1,931.7	1,369.5	1,268.5	-0.3	40.6

¹ Data include an estimate of late returns.

Adult Correctional Services in Canada

1984-85

On average, 27,000 adults were held in government correctional institutions on any one day during the fiscal year 1984-85 while some 78,000 offenders were being supervised in the community, according to *Adult Correctional Services in Canada, 1984-85*, released today by the Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

Some highlights from the report show that:

- Expenditures on corrections totalled \$1.358 billion, including \$754 million federally and \$604 million provincially – an increase of 19% in spending over the five-year period.
- The per capita cost to Canadians for total correctional expenditures was \$54.05.
- The average provincial inmate population decreased by 5% to 16,242 from the 1983-84 figure but showed an increase of 17% over the five-year period.
- The average daily federal inmate population increased by 4% over the 1983-1984 figure, reaching 10,857 and showed an increase of 26% over the five-year period.
- Inmates admitted to provincial custody were typically 26 years old, which is considerably lower than the median age of the Canadian adult population (38 years). The average age for federal inmates was 28 years.
- Close to one-half of all warrant of committal admissions were for either robbery or break and enter. Over one-quarter of all provincial admissions were for fine default.
- Female offenders represented 6% of provincially sentenced admissions to custody, 2% of federal warrant of committal admissions to custody and 17% of admissions to provincial probation.
- There were 93 inmate deaths reported during the year – 28 within the provincial inmate population and 65 within the federal inmate population. Suicides accounted for 42% of all deaths, murders 9%, natural causes 23% and other deaths 26%.

This publication is the fifth release of a series on adult corrections in Canada. The data published cover the five fiscal years 1980-81 to 1984-85 and are representative of adult correctional services provided by the particular government agency responsible for each of the provincial, territorial and federal jurisdictions. The main focus of the publication is statistical data, reporting caseloads, caseload characteristics and resource expenditures relating to both custodial and community supervision services. As well, summary qualitative/descriptive sections describing the jurisdictions are included.

Available on CANSIM: tables 00180701 and 00180703-00180706.

Order *Adult Correctional Services in Canada, 1984-85* (85-211, \$32), available today. Contact: Micheline Reed (613-990-6656), Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

Data Availability Announcements

Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin

June 1986

Highlights from the June issue of the *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* are as follows:

- Advance operational data for March 1986 show that passenger-kilometres for major Canadian air carriers increased by 4.8% over March 1985. (Available on CANSIM: matrix 385.)
- Air passenger origin and destination data for the first nine months of 1985 indicate that 8.87 million passengers travelled on domestic scheduled services, up 0.4% from the same period in 1984. The number of passengers travelling between Canada and the United States dropped to 5.08 million passengers, down 2.1% from the January-September period in 1984.
- Scheduled passenger traffic at the top 30 Canadian airports increased by 2.4% for the first eight months of 1985 as compared to the same period in 1984.
- The volume of cargo enplaned and deplaned on scheduled services at the top 30 Canadian airports in 1984 showed an increase of 12.2% from 1983.

Order the June 1986 (Vol. 18, No. 5) issue of *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), or contact the Aviation Statistics Centre (819-997-1986), Transportation Division. A special review of discount fare utilization in Canada based on 1985 preliminary estimates is featured in this bulletin.

Railway Carloadings

April 1986

Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada totalled 21.4 million tonnes in April 1986, an increase of 4.4% from the previous year. Railway carriers received an additional 1.1 million tonnes from the United States, a decrease of 6.0% from April 1985.

Total loadings in Canada for the year-to-date showed an increase of 3.2% from the 1985 period, while receipts from United States connections increased by 2.8%.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 1431.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, \$7.50/\$75), to be released the second week of June. For seasonally adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact the Rail Unit (613-990-8700), Transportation Division.

The Dairy Review

April 1986

Creamery butter production in Canada in April 1986 totalled 9 703 tonnes, an increase of 7.2% from the previous year. Production of cheddar cheese in Canada amounted to 8 959 tonnes in April 1986, an increase of 1.2% compared to April 1985.

An estimated 602 282 kilolitres of milk were sold off Canadian farms for all purposes in March 1986, a decrease of 0.1% from a year earlier. This brought the total estimate of milk sold off farms during the first three months of 1986 to 1 698 514 kilolitres, a decrease of 2.6% from the January-March period a year ago.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5632-5638, 5650-5663, 5666 and 5667.

Order the April 1986 issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release on June 19. Contact: Dave Burroughs (613-991-2550), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Electric Storage Batteries

April 1986

Canadian storage battery manufacturers sold 151,746 automotive replacement batteries in April 1986, an increase of 20.8% over the 125,617 sold in April 1985. Sales were valued at \$5,065,356 for April 1986.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries* (43-005, \$4/\$40), to be released by June 20. Contact: Roger Laplante (613-990-9837), Industry Division.

Publications Released

Farm Cash Receipts, January-March 1986
Catalogue number 21-001
(Canada: \$7/\$70; Other Countries: \$8/\$80)

Shipments of Plastic Film and Bags
Manufactured from Resin,
Quarter Ended March 31, 1986
Catalogue number 47-007
(Canada: \$5/\$20; Other Countries: \$6/\$24)

Adult Correctional Services in Canada,
1984-85
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10	Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade	April 1986
10	Department Store Sales by Regions	April 1986
11	New Motor Vehicle Sales	April 1986
11	Farm Cash Receipts	January-April 1986
12	Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments	First Quarter 1986
12	Help-wanted Index	May 1986
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Major Releases

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries

April 1986

Total Travel

– Canadians continued to visit countries other than the United States in record numbers but at a decelerating rate.

The number of Canadian trips to overseas countries has continued to reach unprecedented levels since November 1984 with the rate of growth only subsiding in recent months. Canadian re-entries following visits to the United States posted a moderate advance from April 1985 but stayed below the level recorded in 1984.

– Visits to Canada by residents of the United States represented the highest total since April 1981.

The number of visits by residents of other countries increased also from April 1985 but remained below the 1984 level.

– With Easter occurring in March this year instead of April as in 1985, a shift in travel flows might have taken place and accounted for part of the changes.

Estimation of Tourists

– The first decrease in the number of United States tourists to Canada was registered after the record levels set in the first three months of 1986.

– In the first four months of 1986, tourist visits by Canadian residents to countries other than the United States continued to outnumber by three to one the comparable volume from these countries to Canada.

During the same period, there were also 71% more long-term visits to the United States by Canadian residents than by residents of the United States to Canada; however, this percentage has been decreasing since 1982.

The accompanying table shows traveller entries and re-entries for April 1986 covering total and long-term traffic as well as percentage changes from 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2661-2694.

Order the April 1986 issue of *International Travel - Advance Information* (66-001P, \$5/\$50), available mid-June 1986. Contact: Paul L. Paradis (613-990-8933), International Travel Section, International and Financial Economics Division.

International Travel Between Canada and Other Countries

April 1986

Residence of travellers	Total trips				Long-term trips ¹			
	April		January-April		April		January-April	
	Number 1986	% Change from '85	Number 1986	% Change from '85	Number 1986	% Change from '85	Number 1986	% Change from '85
Non-residents								
All Countries	2,284,780	2.6	7,833,828	9.7	658,306	-0.5	2,153,820	9.9
United States	2,175,022	2.5	7,518,313	9.8	559,341	-1.8	1,862,494	10.1
Other countries	109,758	4.7	315,515	7.5	98,965	7.6	291,326	8.6
Residents of Canada								
All countries	3,253,122	1.9	12,115,895	3.1	1,052,396	-5.5	4,127,150	1.7
United States	3,057,551	1.8	11,178,344	3.0	856,825	-7.3	3,189,599	0.7
Other countries	195,571	2.8	937,551	5.4	195,571	2.8	937,551	5.4

¹ Figures for the "United States" include auto and bus one or more nights, and total plane, train and boat flows. Figures for "Other Countries" exclude entries by land same day via the U.S.A.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

April 1986

The April 1986 estimate of the index of farm prices of agricultural products for Canada is 274.7 (1971 = 100), 1.3% less than the March 1986 estimate of 278.3 and 8.4% less than the April 1985 estimate of 299.8.

The 1.3% decrease in the overall index from March to April 1986 was due to decreases in both the total crops and the livestock and livestock products sub-indexes.

Oilseed prices continued to fall in April, dropping by 6.1%. This was the main contributor to the 1.0% decrease in the total crops sub-index. Soybean prices were down 2.0% while flaxseed and canola-rape seed prices were down 6.2% and 6.7% respectively from March. Corn and Western non-board grain prices were also lower in April.

The total livestock and livestock products sub-index fell 1.5%, led by 4.5% and 2.1% decreases in hog and cattle prices. Poultry and egg prices were up slightly at the national level during the month.

Provincially, indexes in all provinces were lower in April than in March:

● Prince Edward Island	-1.1%;
● Nova Scotia	-0.9%;
● New Brunswick	-1.7%;
● Quebec	-0.2%;
● Ontario	-1.4%;
● Manitoba	-2.1%;
● Saskatchewan	-0.9%;
● Alberta	-2.5%;
● British Columbia	-0.9%.

The index is designed to measure (as closely as can be determined) changes in prices received by producers at the farm gate or first local delivery point. Current initial prices are used for Western wheat, oats and barley from August 1985 through April 1986. Sub-indexes for livestock, crops and their components are also available on a provincial basis.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 176.

Order the April issue of *Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products* (62-003, \$6/\$60), scheduled for release June 20. Contact: Paul Murray (613-990-8706), Farm Income and Prices Section, Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Railway Carloadings

Seven Days Ending May 21, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the seven days ending May 21, 1986 totalled 4.9 million tonnes, an increase of 5.0% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 19, issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release the week of June 9. Contact: Wayne Reinhard (613-990-8700), Head, Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue

April 1986

Roundwood production increased by 27.5% to 2 208 289 cubic metres in April 1986, up from 1 731 344 cubic metres a year earlier. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue increased by 13.2% to 7 592 200 cubic metres from 6 709 089 cubic metres (revised) and the closing inventory of these two products decreased by 4.3% to 20 133 172 cubic metres from 21 048 696 cubic metres (revised) for the same period in 1985.

Receipts of wood residue increased 22.6% to 4 453 681 cubic metres compared to 3 633 378 cubic metres (revised) for the same month in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 54.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, \$5/\$50), to be released the week of June 16. Contact: Patrick Martin (613-991-3516) or Katherine Blais (613-991-3511), Industry Division.



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and Poultry, March 1986**

Catalogue number 23-003

(Canada: \$10/\$100; Other Countries: \$11/\$110)

**Inventories, Shipments and Orders in
Manufacturing Industries, February 1986**

Catalogue number 31-001

(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

**Stocks of Frozen Meat Products,
May 1986**

Catalogue number 32-012

(Canada: \$10/\$100; Other Countries: \$11/\$110)

Gypsum Products, April 1986

Catalogue number 44-003

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Farm Input Price Index, First Quarter 1986
Catalogue number 62-004

(Canada: \$10/\$40; Other Countries: \$11/\$44)

Building Permits, February 1986

Catalogue number 64-001

(Canada: \$20/\$200; Other Countries: \$21/\$210)

**Housing Starts and Completions,
March 1986**

Catalogue number 64-002

(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

**Preliminary Statement of Canadian
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Overview Month-to-Month

Preliminary April estimates show total exports climbed 9.5% or \$891 million to \$10.2 billion. The increase followed two consecutive monthly declines averaging more than 7.0% from the record January level of \$10.8 billion. Imports rebounded 13.4% or \$1.1 billion to \$9.2 billion after dropping 18.3% in March. The net effect on the merchandise trade surplus was a slight decline of \$194 million to a level of \$1.1 billion.

Data users should note that the unusual drop posted in March imports was partly recouped in April. This sharp change may be associated with the fact that Easter occurred in March for the first time in eight years.

Short-term Trend

Total Exports

The short-term trend for exports continued the descent begun in December 1985. Exports of energy products remained the primary contributor, reflecting sharply lower prices for crude oil and petroleum products. Excluding energy products, the overall trend declined marginally over the same period. Declining trends in exports of trucks and motor vehicle parts, and to a lesser extent exports of wheat, were partly offset by positive short-term trends for exports of forestry products and machinery and equipment.

Imports

After 15 consecutive months of growth, the short-term trend for imports posted a second consecutive monthly decline. The trend for imports of energy products registered the strongest decrease, reinforced by lower imports of automotive products, machinery and equip-

ment and industrial goods and materials. In contrast, the short-term trend for other consumer goods and agricultural and fishing products has registered monthly growth rates of about 2.0% since the beginning of the year.

Commodity Highlights

Contrary to the patterns indicated by the short-term trend, current month-to-month changes showed a different pattern.

Total Exports

The increase in exports was evident in all major commodity groupings with the exception of energy products. Industrial goods and materials registered a 21% gain following a drop of 12% in March, mainly attributable to metal ores and concentrates. Machinery and equipment posted a 15% gain, primarily due to aircraft and other transportation equipment. Automotive products increased 7% as car exports rose 12%. Forestry products, with an 11% increase, were also a major contributor to the overall April increase. Energy products declined 13% as a result of sharp drops in coal and natural gas exports.

Imports

As in exports, gains were posted in all major commodity groupings with the exception of energy products. Following a 47% drop in March, energy products posted a further 19% decline this month primarily due to coal.

In all other sectors, except for automotive products, the steep declines posted in March were matched by similar increases in April. Machinery and equipment rose 24% after a 19% decline in March. Industrial goods and materials increased 16% in April, following a similar drop the month before. Other consumer goods recovered 23% after falling 14%. Agriculture and fishing products posted the strongest gains, rising 31% after a 20% drop in March. Imports of automotive products increased only marginally in April.

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Trading Partner Highlights

Exports

Except for the 'Other O.E.C.D.' country grouping, exports to all of Canada's trading partners registered increases. Exports to the United States rose 9.1% following a drop of 6.5% in March and a similar decline in February. Exports to Japan increased 25.4% after two consecutive monthly declines averaging 8.2%.

Imports

Imports from all of Canada's trading partners registered significant increases in April in contrast to the sharp declines the month before. Imports from the United States rose 7.8%

following a decline of 13.5%. Imports from Japan posted a sharp recovery, rising 25.4% after a 16.9% drop in March.
(see tables on pages 4 and 5)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 30, 3652-3678, 3686-3713, 3718 and 3719.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Summary of Canadian International Trade* (65-001, \$15/\$150), available the fourth week of June. Contact: G. Blaney (613-990-9647), Trade Information Unit, or Judith Frederick (613-990-9784), Trade Measures and Analysis Section, International Trade Division.

Merchandise Trade of Canada

April 1986

Balance of Payments Basis

	Total exports ¹ raw	Imports raw	Total exports ¹ S.A. ³	Imports S.A. ³	Balance S.A. ³	Period-to-period change ²		
						Total exports ¹ S.A. ³	Imports S.A. ³	Balance S.A. ³
			\$ millions			%	%	\$ millions
1980	76,680	67,903	76,680	67,903	8,778	16.9	11.0	4,354
1981	84,157	77,140	84,157	77,140	7,017	10.1	13.6	-1,761
1982	84,560	66,739	84,560	66,739	17,822	0.2	-13.5	10,804
1983	90,702	73,054	90,702	73,054	17,648	7.3	9.5	-174
1984	112,218	91,492	112,218	91,492	20,726	23.7	25.2	3,078
1985	120,258	102,783	120,258	102,783	17,475	7.2	12.3	-3,251
1984								
First Quarter	25,764	21,813	26,344	21,900	4,444	5.9	5.0	408
Second Quarter	29,442	24,162	27,714	22,527	5,187	5.2	2.9	743
Third Quarter	27,657	22,723	29,139	23,791	5,348	5.1	5.6	161
Fourth Quarter	29,356	22,794	29,021	23,274	5,747	-0.4	-2.2	399
1985								
First Quarter	28,926	23,668	29,662	24,175	5,487	2.2	3.9	-260
Second Quarter	31,652	27,169	29,759	25,280	4,479	0.3	4.6	-1,008
Third Quarter	28,133	25,392	29,678	26,184	3,494	-0.3	3.6	-985
Fourth Quarter	31,547	26,554	31,158	27,143	4,014	5.0	3.7	520
1986								
First Quarter	29,128	27,113	30,223	27,778	2,445	-3.0	2.3	-1,569
1985								
January	9,145	7,695	9,654	8,218	1,436	0.7	3.5	-209
February	9,177	7,569	9,685	7,921	1,764	0.3	-3.6	329
March	10,604	8,403	10,323	8,036	2,287	6.6	1.5	523
April	10,453	9,029	10,050	8,050	2,000	-2.6	0.2	-287
May	10,863	9,155	10,040	8,487	1,553	-0.1	5.4	-447
June	10,335	8,986	9,669	8,742	927	-3.7	3.0	-626
July	8,561	8,622	9,086	8,564	522	-6.0	-2.0	-405
August	8,983	8,203	10,083	8,770	1,313	11.0	2.4	791
September	10,589	8,567	10,510	8,850	1,660	4.2	0.9	347
October	11,206	9,245	10,710	8,841	1,869	1.9	-0.1	209
November	10,373	9,118	10,146	9,221	925	-5.3	4.3	-944
December	9,969	8,191	10,302	9,081	1,221	1.5	-1.5	296
1986								
January	10,060	9,054	10,843	9,808	1,035	5.3	8.0	-185
February	9,413	9,425	10,034	9,890	144	-7.5	0.8	-891
March	9,655	8,633	9,345	8,080	1,265	-6.9	-18.3	1,121
April	10,673	10,185	10,236	9,166	1,070	9.5	13.4	-194
Year-to-date								
1985	39,379	32,696	39,713	32,225	7,487	12.4	10.4	1,350
1986	39,801	37,298	40,459	36,943	3,516	1.9	14.6	-3,971

¹ Total Exports = Domestic Exports + Re-exports.

² Year-to-year, quarter-to-quarter, month-to-month.

³ Seasonally Adjusted.

Note: Due to rounding monthly data may not add up to quarterly data and quarterly data may not add up to annual data.

Merchandise Trade by Principal Trading Areas

April 1986

Seasonally Adjusted, Balance of Payments Basis

			Period-to-period change				Year-to-date	Change over	
	Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.		previous year	
	\$ millions		%	%	\$ millions		\$ millions	%	\$ millions
Total exports to:									
United States	7,289.4	7,955.3	-6.5	9.1	-510.6	666.0	31,373.9	2.0	620.2
Japan	420.5	527.5	-7.4	25.4	-33.8	107.0	1,901.5	-5.2	-103.4
United Kingdom	199.0	252.7	-14.8	27.0	-34.6	53.7	906.2	15.2	119.6
Other EEC Countries	379.0	432.1	-17.0	14.0	-77.9	53.0	1,712.7	10.6	163.5
Other OECD Countries	179.3	119.4	19.5	-33.4	29.2	-59.9	702.6	-13.2	-106.4
Other Countries	878.1	949.5	-6.5	8.1	-61.1	71.4	3,862.2	1.4	52.9
Total	9,345.2	10,236.4	-6.9	9.5	-688.8	891.2	40,459.1	1.9	746.5
Imports from:									
United States	5,835.6	6,289.2	-13.5	7.8	-914.3	453.6	25,887.1	9.3	2,208.4
Japan	540.2	677.2	-16.9	25.4	-109.9	137.0	2,359.7	29.3	535.4
United Kingdom	225.4	255.7	-47.1	13.4	-200.9	30.3	1,309.9	105.1	671.2
Other EEC Countries	594.3	777.1	-26.9	30.8	-218.7	182.8	2,936.3	42.5	876.2
Other OECD Countries	175.9	221.4	-30.0	25.9	-75.2	45.6	862.0	6.4	51.6
Other Countries	708.9	944.9	-29.1	33.3	-290.3	236.0	3,588.2	11.7	375.1
Total	8,080.3	9,165.5	-18.3	13.4	-1,809.3	1,085.2	36,943.2	14.6	4,717.8
Balance with:									
United States	1,453.8	1,666.2			403.6	212.4	5,486.8		-1,588.2
Japan	-119.7	-149.7			76.1	-30.0	-458.1		-638.8
United Kingdom	-26.5	-3.0			166.3	23.5	-403.8		-551.5
Other EEC Countries	-215.3	-345.1			140.8	-129.7	-1,223.6		-712.6
Other OECD Countries	3.4	-102.1			104.5	-105.5	-159.4		-158.0
Other Countries	169.2	4.6			229.2	-164.6	274.0		-322.2
Total	1,264.9	1,070.9			1,120.6	-194.0	3,515.9		-3,971.4

Note: Prior to 1986 Portugal and Spain were not included in the EEC.

Department Store Sales by Regions April 1986

Department stores in Canada reported sales totalling \$976.9 million in April 1986, an increase of 7.7% from a year earlier.

Cumulative sales for the period January to April 1986 totalled \$3,335.5 million, up 7.8% from the same period in 1985.

On a regional basis, department store sales during the month were as follows (percentage change from April 1985 in parentheses):

- Atlantic provinces, \$67.4 million (+ 2.0%);
- Quebec, \$190.6 million (+ 8.2%);
- Ontario, \$363.0 million (+ 9.9%);
- Manitoba, \$50.4 million (+ 2.2%);
- Saskatchewan, \$29.6 million (+ 1.0%);
- Alberta, \$124.6 million (+ 5.4%);
- British Columbia, \$151.3 million (+ 9.9%).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Department Store Sales by Regions* (63-004,\$2/\$20), available the fourth week of June. Contact: Maurice Massaad, Retail Trade Section (613-991-3549), Industry Division.

Construction Building Material Price Index: Residential

April 1986

The price index for residential construction building materials (1981=100) rose to 128.7 in April, up 2.1% from March. On a year-over-year basis the index rose 8.9%.

Between March and April 1986 the largest price increases were for lumber, metal roofing and siding and Douglas fir plywood. During the month, all residential building materials were affected by a one percentage point advance in the federal sales tax.

Between April 1985 and April 1986, structural materials rose 14.2%, followed by architectural materials (8.5%), mechanical materials (4.0%) and electrical materials (1.1%).

Available on CANSIM: matrix 423.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in August. Contact: the Information Service (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Construction Building Material Price Indexes: Residential

April 1986

(1981 = 100)

	Apr. '86	Mar. '86	Apr. '85	% Change	
				Apr. '86/ Mar. 86	Apr. '86/ Apr. '85
Total materials	128.7	126.1	118.2	2.1	8.9
Architectural materials	128.4	125.7	118.3	2.1	8.5
Structural materials	132.8	129.4	116.3	2.6	14.2
Mechanical materials	127.3	125.2	122.4	1.7	4.0
Electrical materials	118.3	117.0	117.0	1.1	1.1

Construction Building Material Price Index: Non-residential April 1986

The non-residential construction building material price index (1981 = 100) rose to 125.4 in April, up 1.6% from March and 5.9% from a year earlier.

Between March and April 1986, the largest price increases were for metal roofing and siding, ready-mix concrete and concrete bricks and blocks. During the month, almost all non-residential building materials rose in price due to a one percentage point increase in the federal sales tax.

Between April 1985 and April 1986 structural materials increased 10.0%, followed by architectural materials (5.8%), mechanical materials (3.5%) and electrical materials (1.9%).

Available on CANSIM: matrix 423.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in August. Contact: the Information Service (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Construction Building Material Price Indexes: Non-residential April 1986 (1981 = 100)

	Apr. '86	Mar. '86	Apr. '85	% Change	
				Apr. '86/ Mar. '86	Apr. '86/ Apr. '85
Total materials	125.4	123.4	118.4	1.6	5.9
Architectural material	126.7	124.1	119.8	2.1	5.8
Structural materials	125.4	123.6	114.0	1.5	10.0
Mechanical materials	127.3	126.1	123.0	1.0	3.5
Electrical materials	118.5	117.3	116.3	1.0	1.9

Data Availability Announcements

Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings

April 1986

Steel pipe and tubing production totalled 110 361 tonnes in April 1986, a decrease of 14.8% from the April 1985 total of 129 581 tonnes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 35.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings* (41-011, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 23. Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Notifiable Diseases Summary

May 10, 1986

Statistics and new cases of notifiable diseases for the four-week period ending May 10, 1986 are now available by sex and five-year age group for Canada and the provinces.

Available on CANSIM: table 00050123.

Contact: Leslie Gaudette (613-991-1769), Health Division.

Export and Import Price Indexes

April 1986

Current and fixed weighted export and import price indexes, by balance of payments, are now available on a 1981=100 basis. Price indexes are listed from January 1971 to April 1986 for the seven commodity sections and 62/61 major commodity groups.

Customs based current and fixed weighted U.S. price indexes are also available. Price indexes are listed from January 1981 to April 1986 on a 1981=100 basis. Included with the U.S. commodity indexes are the 10 "all countries" and "U.S. only" SITC section indexes.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3633-3642, 3651 and 3685.

Price indexes on a 1971=100 base, balance of payments basis, have been terminated as of December 1985.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Summary of Canadian International Trade* (65-001, \$15/\$150), available the fourth week of June. Contact: D. Pilon or Peter Wang (613-990-9784), Price Index Unit, International Trade Division.

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Airports, Third Quarter 1984**
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Major Releases

New Motor Vehicle Sales

April 1986

Unadjusted Sales

Sales of all new motor vehicles totalled 161,832 units in April 1986, up 2.6% or 4,151 units from April 1985. North American built passenger car sales declined by 7.2% to 88,344 units, while overseas car sales increased by 26.3% to reach 31,225 units. Total sales of commercial vehicles increased by 11.9% over April 1985 to 42,263 units.

The 26.3% year-over-year rise in sales of overseas-built passenger cars (to 31,225 units) comprised an increase of 26.9% for passenger cars manufactured in Japan (to 16,671 units) and an increase of 25.7% for passenger cars manufactured in "other countries" (to 14,554 units).

The share of the Canadian passenger car market held by North American manufacturers in April 1986 (based on unit sales) was 73.9%, down from the 79.4% recorded in April 1985. Japanese manufacturers held a market share of 13.9% compared to 11.0% in the previous year. Manufacturers from "other countries" held 12.2% of the passenger car market, a substantial increase from the 9.6% registered in April 1985.

The total dollar value of all new motor vehicles sold in April 1986 increased by 13.6% from a year earlier to \$2,306.7 million. Sales of overseas passenger cars reached \$451.0 million, up 42.0% over the corresponding month in 1985. Total sales of commercial vehicles built overseas amounted to \$63.1 million, up 50.1%. Sales of North American passenger cars increased by 0.5% to \$1,142.2 million, while sales of commercial vehicles increased by 21.8% to reach \$650.5 million.

Total unit sales increased in five provinces and declined in the other five. Compared to

April 1985, the increases ranged from 18.2% in Saskatchewan to 1.6% in Quebec and Ontario. Declines varied from 5.7% in Nova Scotia to 1.2% in Alberta.

Total new motor vehicle sales reported for the first four months of 1986 increased by 4.2% over the same period the previous year to reach 502,841 units, valued at \$7,010.8 million, a rise of 14.4%.

Seasonally Adjusted Sales

Adjusted for seasonal fluctuations and the number of trading days, preliminary estimates of total unit sales of passenger cars in April 1986 increased by 5.2% to a level of 92,767 units. Sales of passenger cars built in North America totalled 62,765 units, an increase of 5.3% from the previous month's revised total of 59,626 units. Sales of overseas imported passenger cars totalled 30,001 units, 5.1% higher than the revised level of 28,539 units recorded in March. Total sales of commercial vehicles, both domestic and overseas, increased by 9.2% to 34,221 units from the revised total of 31,333 units for March 1986.

Note to Data Users:

Data users should note that the seasonally adjusted sales estimates have been revised for the period January 1972 to March 1986, and incorporate the latest unadjusted sales data as well as updated trading day adjustment factors. (see table on page 3)

Available on CANSIM: matrix 64.

Order the April 1986 issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, \$8/\$80), available the fourth week of June. Contact: Maurice Massaad (613-990-9682), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

New Motor Vehicle Sales - Canada
April 1986

	April 1986	Change 1986/85	January- April 1986	Change 1986/85
	Units	%	Units	%
Passenger cars	119,569	-0.3	366,041	1.1
Commercial vehicles	42,263	11.9	136,800	13.7
Total	161,832	2.6	502,841	4.2
Passenger cars by country of origin				
North America	88,344	-7.2	261,999	-3.9
Japan	16,671	26.9	58,283	6.4
Other Countries	14,554	25.7	45,759	31.0
Total	119,569	-0.3	366,041	1.1
	Value \$000	%	Value \$000	%
Passenger cars	1,593,193	9.6	4,744,203	10.4
Commercial vehicles	713,555	23.8	2,266,622	23.8
Total	2,306,748	13.6	7,010,825	14.4
Passenger cars by country of origin				
North America	1,142,243	0.5	3,316,139	3.5
Japan	232,139	48.0	763,759	21.2
Other Countries	218,811	36.1	664,305	43.9
Total	1,593,193	9.6	4,744,203	10.4

Farm Cash Receipts

January-April 1986

Farm cash receipts for the January-April 1986 period were estimated at \$7,258.1 million, a decrease of 0.4% from the level of \$7,286.9 million for the corresponding period in 1985.

During the first four months in 1986, receipts from the sale of field crops totalled \$3,648.6 million, a 5.2% decline from the 1985 level of \$3,848.4 million. Higher crop insurance and Western Grain Stabilization payments, as well as higher wheat and barley receipts, partially offset lower Canadian Wheat Board participation payments and lower liquidations of deferred grain receipts. Prices declined for all major field crops. However, increased quantities of wheat, barley, rye, rapeseed, soybeans and potatoes were marketed. Cash receipts increased for wheat, barley, soybeans and tobacco while decreasing for oats, rye, flaxseed, rapeseed, corn and potatoes.

Total livestock receipts decreased by 2.2% to \$3,153.1 million in 1986 from \$3,222.9 million in 1985. Receipts for cattle and hogs declined due to lower marketings and prices, while receipts for calves declined in spite of higher prices. Receipts increased for sheep, lambs, and dairy products, while decreasing for poultry and eggs.

Other cash receipts climbed to \$456.4 million in 1986 from \$215.6 million in 1985.

Higher provincial income stabilization payments, especially in Alberta and British Columbia, and increased supplementary payments because of drought in Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia are the principal reasons for this increase.

Estimated farm cash receipts measure the gross returns to farmers from the sale of all agricultural products. They also include Canadian Wheat Board participation payments, cash advances paid on farm-stored commodities, and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. No allowance has been made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

Realized net farm income, which takes into account producers' operating expenses and depreciation charges, will be published in the new publication *Agriculture Economic Statistics* (21-603).

Available on CANSIM: matrices 175 and 450-459.

Order the January-April 1986 issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001) scheduled for release on June 20. This publication is also available immediately on Envoy 100, an electronic messaging system. For more information, contact Lambert Gauthier or Steven Danford (613-990-8706), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Total Cash Receipts From Farming Operations

January-April

	1985 ^r	1986	1986/1985 % change
(millions of dollars)			
Newfoundland	13.6	13.3	-2.5
Prince Edward Island	61.7	50.8	-17.6
Nova Scotia	79.7	80.4	0.9
New Brunswick	68.1	67.2	-1.3
Quebec	915.2	880.0	-3.8
Ontario	1,644.6	1,645.8	0.1
Manitoba	722.5	822.1	13.8
Saskatchewan	1,909.5	1,890.1	-1.0
Alberta	1,566.6	1,500.1	-4.2
British Columbia	305.4	308.1	0.9
Canada	7,286.9	7,258.1	-0.4

^r Revised.

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding.

Data Availability Announcements

Trucking in Canada 1984

Data from the upcoming publication *Trucking in Canada*, 1984 are now available.

The publication (53-222, \$32) is expected to be available in about three weeks time.

Contact: Steven Mozes (990-8700), Surface and Marine Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Deliveries of Major Grains April 1986

Producer deliveries of major grains by Prairie farmers during April 1986 were as follows (in thousand tonnes):

● Wheat (excluding durum)	1 357.5;
● Durum wheat	60.7;
● Total wheat	1 418.2;
● Oats	27.6;
● Barley	581.1;
● Rye	10.2;
● Flaxseed	37.3;
● Canola (rapeseed)	245.5.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 976-981.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release in mid-June. Contact: Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or Anthony Dupuis (613-991-3860), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Ottawa.

Production of Soft Drinks May 1986

Production of soft drinks was estimated at 2 107 883 hectolitres in May 1986, up from 1 775 158 hectolitres the previous year. These data are based on carbon dioxide usage.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 196.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Monthly Production of Soft Drinks* (32-001, \$2/\$20), to be released by June 27. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products April 1986

Factory shipments of steel wire and specified wire products for April 1986 are now available as are data on production and export markets for selected commodities.

Shipments of plain uncoated round steel wire totalled 24 771 tonnes during the month, an increase of 3.4% from the 23 946 tonnes shipped during April 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 122 (series 19).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products* (41-006, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 23. Contact: Michel J. Cormier (613-991-3522), Industry Division.

Production of Eggs April 1986

Canadian egg production totalled 40.7 million dozen in April 1986, up 0.8% from 40.3 million a year earlier. The average number of layers remained unchanged at 23.5 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased to 2,075 from 2,057.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1145, 1146 and 5689-5691.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release July 3. Contact: Peter Beerstecher (613-990-8714), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

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Major Release

Help-wanted Index

May 1986

The seasonally adjusted Help-wanted Index (1981 = 100) for Canada decreased 4.4% to 87 in May from 91 in April 1986. Regional indexes declined 10.1% in Ontario (to 107 from 119), 9.8% in British Columbia (to 37 from 41) and 6.5% in the Prairie provinces (to 43 from 46). Indexes advanced 6.9% in the Atlantic provinces (to 155 from 145) and 2.1% in Quebec (to 96 from 94).

Compared with May 1985, the Help-wanted Index for Canada advanced 27.9% to 87 from 68. Year-over-year increases were observed in all regions, ranging from 64.9% in the Atlantic provinces to 4.9% in the Prairie provinces.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 105.

Contact: Horst Stiebert or Jean-Pierre Maynard (613-990-9900), Labour Division.

Help-wanted Index¹, Canada and Regions

Seasonally Adjusted
(1981 = 100)

Year and month	Canada	Atlantic Provinces ²	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia
1985						
May	68	94	77	85	41	27
June	67	117	74	84	46	28
July	71	134	76	91	43	32
August	77	156	85	95	43	33
September	79	226	77	93	43	34
October	79	162	84	93	44	35
November	84	213	83	96	39	39
December	85	216	88	95	45	39
1986						
January	87	146	93	107	43	38
February	84	205	89	98	47	41
March	86	139	90	104	46	44
April	91	145	94	119	46	41
May	87	155	96	107	43	37

¹ The index is calculated from help-wanted advertisements published in 18 major metropolitan area newspapers.

² The data for the Atlantic provinces sometime show large month-to-month variations which are caused by special advertisements placed in the help-wanted classified section; these ads are commonly found under "Careers" in newspapers published in other areas.

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Steel Ingots

Week Ending June 7, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending June 7, 1986 totalled 270 650 tonnes, an increase of 2.7% from the preceding week's total of 263 627 tonnes but down 9.9% from the year-earlier level of 300 460 tonnes.

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May 1986

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April 1986

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Consumer Price Index

May 1986

National Highlights

The all-items Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Canada increased by 0.5% between April and May, resulting in a level of 131.7 (1981 = 100) for May. The latest increase came after the CPI posted increases of 0.2% in each of the two preceding months. The May 1986 increase resulted from the combined impact of advances in six of the major component indexes, offset to some extent by a small decline in the transportation index. The largest contributions to the rise in the all-items index were the result of a 0.5% increase in the housing index and a 0.8% rise in the food index.

Seasonally adjusted, the all-items index rose by 0.5% in May, compared to no change reported in the previous month.

The year-to-year increase in the CPI between May 1985 and May 1986 was 4.1%, up slightly from the 3.9% increase reported in the previous 12-month period ending in April. The increase in the latest period was, however, identical to those reported for the 12-month periods ending in February and March. The compounded annual rate based on the seasonally adjusted index over the latest three-month period (February to May) was 3.1%, up significantly from the 1.9% rise registered in the previous three-month period ending in April.

Food

Between April and May the food index rose by 0.8%, compared to the increase of 1.1% observed between March and April. The latest increase resulted from advances of 1.1% in the index for food purchased from stores and 0.3% in the index for food purchased from restaurants. A large part of the increase in the former index was due to higher prices for fresh vegetables and, to a lesser extent, to price increases for fresh fruit, beef, dairy products and coffee. As the domestic market became more dependent on imported sources of supply, as in the case of fresh vegetables, higher than average price increases were observed for celery, tomatoes,

potatoes and onions. The fresh fruit index registered noticeable price increases for apples, pears and grapefruit, the supplies of which were approaching their seasonal lows. The rise in the beef index followed a sharp decline observed in the previous month and was explained partly by an increase in seasonal demand. Higher prices for fluid whole milk (mostly in Ontario and Newfoundland), low fat milk, yogurt and butter were responsible for the latest increase in the dairy products index. Coffee prices maintained their upward trend on the expectation that the world's supply will fall sharply owing to drought conditions in Brazil.

Over the 12-month period May 1985 to May 1986, the food index rose by 4.2%, up sharply from the rise of 2.6% reported in the previous 12-month period ending in April. The latest rise resulted from increases of 4.1% in the index for food purchased from stores and 4.6% in the index for food purchased from restaurants.

All-items excluding Food

On a month-to-month basis, the all-items excluding food index advanced by 0.4% in May, compared to a decline of 0.1% reported in April. A large part of the increase in the latest month was due to a 0.5% increase in the housing index. This was followed by advances of 0.8% in the recreation, reading and education index and 0.9% in the tobacco products and alcoholic beverages index. The transportation index fell by a marginal 0.1%.

The housing index rose 0.5% in May in spite of a fall of 7.4% in fuel oil prices. This decline was more than offset by increases registered in hotel/motel accommodation rates. The major part of this increase was associated with a sharp rise in such rates in Vancouver. Higher charges were also observed for rented and owned accommodation, the latter due principally to higher prices for new homes (particularly in southwestern Ontario) and increased maintenance and repair charges. In Quebec, the price of piped gas rose as a result of the recent imposition of the 9% provincial sales tax and electricity rates also increased. Higher water rates were observed in several cities.

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The Consumer Price Index and Major Components (Not Seasonally Adjusted), Canada (1981 = 100)

	Indexes			Percentage change May 1986 from	
	May 1986	April 1986	May 1985	April 1986	May 1985
All-items	131.7	131.1	126.5	0.5	4.1
Food	125.8	124.8	120.7	0.8	4.2
All-items excluding food	133.4	132.9	128.2	0.4	4.1
Housing	132.4	131.8	128.6	0.5	3.0
Clothing	118.7	118.4	115.3	0.3	2.9
Transportation	133.2	133.3	129.6	-0.1	2.8
Health and personal care	132.0	131.5	126.8	0.4	4.1
Recreation, reading and education	129.8	128.8	124.1	0.8	4.6
Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages	172.9	171.3	150.1	0.9	15.2
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar expressed in cents, compared to 1981	75.9	76.3	79.1		
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1971 = 100	312.0				

The 0.8% increase in the recreation, reading and education index was largely the result of higher prices associated with summer recreational activities. Fees and dues related to selected sports and recreational pastimes rose, as did admission charges to witness sporting events. Higher prices were also reported for selected recreational vehicles and equipment, principally for travel trailers, boats, bicycles and sleeping bags. Price increases were also posted for photographic goods, newspapers and magazines.

The tobacco products and alcoholic beverages index advanced by 0.9%. Most of the increase was concentrated in a 1.2% rise in the alcoholic beverages index. Beer prices were up in Alberta while liquor prices, notably in Ontario, reflected in part, the delayed impact of the increase in the federal excise tax (February 27) and the federal sales tax (April 1). Increases in cigarette prices in most provinces were partly due to the recent rise in the federal sales tax, while in Nova Scotia, the provincial tax on cigarettes was increased.

The transportation index fell by 0.1% as a result of offsetting price movements. Prices of selected new automobiles rose, as did automobile insurance premiums. At the same time, gasoline prices fell by 4.2%, as falling crude oil

prices in the international market continued to have an impact on the retail prices of petroleum products. The air fare index fell, as seasonally lower fares for southern destinations offset the effect of a 1% rise in the federal air transportation tax (from 9% to 10% with a \$50 ceiling) on domestic and transborder flights.

Over the 12-month period May 1985 to May 1986, the all-items excluding food index rose by 4.1%, slightly lower than the increase of 4.2% reported in the previous 12-month period ending in April.

Goods and Services

The goods index rose by 0.3% in May while the services index increased by 0.7% (largely due to higher hotel/motel charges). Between May 1985 and May 1986, the goods index increased by 3.3% and the services index by 5.2%.

City Highlights

Between April and May the variation in the all-items index for cities for which CPI's are published ranged from no change in Charlottetown/Summerside to increases of 0.7% registered in Halifax, Saskatoon and Vancouver. The low rate in Charlottetown/Summerside resulted from lower than national (continued on page 4)

changes in all major component indexes in the non-food categories except in the case of the recreation, reading and education index. The higher rate in Halifax was mainly due to larger than national increases in the transportation and tobacco products and alcoholic beverages indexes. In Saskatoon, noticeably higher than average increases were observed in the clothing, health and personal care and the recreation, reading and education indexes. Vancouver's higher rate was due primarily to higher housing charges.

Over the 12-month period May 1985 to May 1986, the increases in the all-items indexes for cities varied from a low of 1.6% in Regina to a high of 5.1% posted in Quebec City and Montreal.

Main Contributors to Monthly Changes in the All-Items Index, by City

St. John's

Higher food prices, especially for milk, prepared meats, fresh fruit, coffee, soft drinks and restaurant meals, accounted for a significant portion of the 0.3% rise in the all-items index. Cigarette prices advanced, as did the cost of new cars, owned accommodation and household furnishings. Partly offsetting these advances were declines in gasoline and fuel oil prices, in air fares and in the price of men's and women's wear. Since May 1985, the all-items index has risen 3.6%.

Charlottetown/Summerside

No overall change was recorded in the all-items index due to a number of offsetting effects. The food index advanced, mainly reflecting higher prices for beef, pork, poultry, prepared meats, bread, fresh produce, soft drinks and restaurant meals. Higher recreation costs were noted, as were increased prices for personal care supplies and services. Within the housing component, increased costs for rented and owned accommodation were more than offset by decreased charges for electricity and lower prices for furniture and household textiles. The transportation index declined overall, as lower gasoline prices and decreased air fares more than offset higher prices for new cars. Clothing prices also declined. Since May 1985, the all-items index has risen 1.9%.

Halifax

Higher shelter charges and increased prices for cigarettes and new cars explained most of the 0.7% rise in the all-items index. Recreation costs advanced, as did the price of alcoholic beverages served in licensed premises. Food prices remained unchanged overall, as higher prices for fresh vegetables and restaurant meals were completely offset by lower prices for beef and fresh fruit. Lower gasoline prices had a dampening effect. Between May 1985 and May 1986, the all-items index rose 3.5%.

Saint John

The all-items index rose 0.2% with most of the upward pressure originating from higher recreation costs, increased prices for new cars and higher charges for rented and owned accommodation. Advances were also noted in household equipment costs, cigarette prices and in charges for clothes-cleaning services. The food index remained unchanged overall, as higher prices for poultry, prepared meats, fresh vegetables, sugar and restaurant meals were completely offset by lower prices for beef, pork, fresh fruit and soft drinks. Significant offsetting effects resulted from price declines for gasoline, fuel oil, clothing and personal care supplies and services. Household furnishings prices and household operation costs also declined. Since May 1985, the all-items index has risen 4.4%.

Quebec City

The all-items index rose 0.4%, mainly due to higher food prices and increased housing charges. Within the food component, higher prices were observed for poultry, dairy products, fresh produce, sugar and restaurant meals. The housing index advanced, due mainly to increased charges for electricity and rented and owned accommodation. Advances in new car prices and in certain recreation costs also had a significant effect. Gasoline and clothing prices declined. Since May 1985, the all-items index has risen 5.1%.

Montreal

The 0.4% rise in the all-items index mainly reflected higher housing charges and increased (continued on page 5)

food prices. The housing component advanced, largely as a result of increased accommodation charges, higher prices for furniture and household equipment and increased charges for domestic gas and electricity. Within the food component, higher prices for beef, poultry, fresh vegetables and restaurant meals more than offset declines in the price of pork and prepared meats. Also exerting an upward impact were higher prices for new cars, cigarettes and certain recreational expenses. Gasoline prices, vehicle insurance premiums, air fares and men's and women's wear prices declined. Since May 1985, the all-items index has risen 5.1%.

Ottawa

Among the main contributors to the 0.5% rise in the all-items index were higher food prices (especially for fresh produce, coffee and restaurant meals) and increased rented and owned accommodation costs. Prices for men's and women's wear advanced, as did the cost of new cars, vehicle insurance premiums and prices of alcoholic beverages. Charges relating to personal care and recreational expenses also increased. Gasoline and fuel oil prices declined, as did the cost of furniture. Since May 1985, the all-items index advanced 4.3%.

Toronto

Higher new car prices, increased vehicle insurance premiums and higher overall food prices (most notably for beef, pork, milk, fresh produce and restaurant meals) largely explained the 0.5% rise in the all-items index. Higher charges for rented and owned accommodation also exerted a significant upward impact, as did higher recreational costs and increased prices for alcoholic beverages. Prices for men's and women's wear were also up. Partly offsetting these advances were lower prices for fuel oil and gasoline. Since May 1985, the all-items index has risen 4.5%.

Thunder Bay

The all-items index rose 0.6%. Among the main contributors were increased recreational costs and higher prices for men's and women's wear, alcoholic beverages and food. Within food, higher prices for beef, prepared meats, milk and fresh vegetables were reported.

Advances in new car prices, vehicle insurance premiums and accommodation charges were also observed. Gasoline prices declined. Since May 1985, the all-items index has risen 3.8%.

Winnipeg

Among the main contributors to the 0.5% rise in the all-items index were increased shelter costs, higher prices for furniture and increased prices for new cars. Advances were also noted in clothing costs, recreational expenses and alcoholic beverage prices. Food prices rose on average, as higher prices for pork, apples, fresh vegetables and restaurant meals more than offset lower prices for poultry, beef and soft drinks. Declines were noted in the prices of fuel oil and gasoline. Since May 1985, the all-items index has risen 3.9%.

Regina

Higher food prices (especially for fresh produce, coffee and restaurant meals), increased shelter costs and higher furniture prices were among the main contributors to the 0.6% rise in the all-items index. Also impacting significantly were higher prices for new cars, increased charges for personal care items and higher recreation costs. Clothing and gasoline prices declined. Since May 1985, the all-items index has risen 1.6%.

Saskatoon

Increased accommodation costs, higher prices for new cars and increased recreational expenses explained most of the 0.7% rise in the all-items index. Food prices advanced, due mainly to higher prices for beef, fresh vegetables and coffee. Price increases were also noted for men's and women's wear, personal care items and alcoholic beverages. Gasoline prices declined. Between May 1985 and May 1986, the all-items index rose 4.3%.

Edmonton

The 0.5% rise in the all-items index was mainly the result of higher selected housing charges, increased prices for new cars and higher prices for food. Within the food component, higher prices were noted, especially for fresh produce, but these were offset partially by lower prices for beef, pork, poultry and bakery products. (continued on page 6)

Increased recreational costs and higher prices for alcoholic beverages were also noted. Partly offsetting these advances were decreased costs for owned accommodation, lower prices for women's wear and a decline in gasoline prices. Since May 1985, the all-items index has advanced 3.1%.

Calgary

The all-items index rose 0.6%. Among the main contributors were higher accommodation costs, increased recreational charges and higher prices for clothing, new cars and alcoholic beverages. The food index advanced overall, as higher prices for beef, fresh produce and coffee more than offset lower prices for pork, poultry and soft drinks. Declines were noted in gasoline prices and in the cost of personal care supplies. Since May 1985, the all-items index has risen 3.3%.

Vancouver

Higher shelter charges, due primarily to a sharp rise in hotel/motel accommodation rates, explained the bulk of the 0.7% rise in the all-items index. Increased recreational charges and higher prices for new cars, clothing and alcoholic beverages were also reported. Food prices were up on average, as higher prices for

fresh produce and pork were only partly offset by lower prices for beef, chicken, bakery products and soft drinks. Furniture prices declined, as did the cost of fuel oil and gasoline. Since May 1985, the all-items index has risen 3.3%.

Victoria

The all-items index rose 0.6%, mainly due to higher food prices and increased hotel/motel accommodation charges. The rise in the food index was largely the result of higher prices for beef, bakery products, sugar and fresh vegetables. Advances were also observed in the prices of clothing, new cars and alcoholic beverages, as well as in the cost of certain recreational items and personal care supplies. Declines in the cost of fuel oil and gasoline had a significant moderating effect. Lower costs for owned accommodation and household furnishings were also noted. Since May 1985, the all-items index has advanced 1.8%.

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Consumer Price Indexes for Urban Centres

The indexes in this table measure within each city the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.¹

	All-items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation	Health and personal care	Recreation, reading and education	Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages
St. John's								
May 1986 index	131.5	117.0	132.9	125.7	135.0	130.8	127.5	175.8
% change from April 1986	0.3	0.9	0.2	-0.4	-0.3	0.5	-0.2	0.7
% change from May 1985	3.6	4.8	0.8	2.0	3.9	3.9	4.0	12.5
Charlottetown/Summerside								
May 1986 index	126.2	117.4	125.0	116.5	128.0	134.7	133.3	165.1
% change from April 1986	0.0	0.9	-0.4	-0.3	-0.4	0.2	0.8	0.0
% change from May 1985	1.9	3.7	-2.3	3.9	1.6	4.2	5.2	13.0
Halifax								
May 1986 index	131.6	115.8	134.2	118.1	134.5	137.5	136.2	176.8
% change from April 1986	0.7	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.6	-0.1	0.8	5.0
% change from May 1985	3.5	1.9	1.5	2.0	2.7	3.5	5.5	18.7
Saint John								
May 1986 index	132.5	121.7	136.2	116.7	135.7	128.0	134.7	176.9
% change from April 1986	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.3	-1.1	1.3	0.2
% change from May 1985	4.4	4.3	1.0	3.5	7.5	1.1	5.6	19.0
Quebec City								
May 1986 index	133.8	127.2	137.2	119.0	134.2	132.4	123.1	178.3
% change from April 1986	0.4	1.0	0.5	-0.4	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.2
% change from May 1985	5.1	6.4	3.3	3.7	3.2	4.0	4.6	17.8
Montreal								
May 1986 index	133.7	127.2	135.0	117.5	138.3	132.1	126.6	180.7
% change from April 1986	0.4	0.7	0.6	-0.7	0.6	0.3	0.6	-0.3
% change from May 1985	5.1	6.1	3.4	2.4	4.0	5.3	4.5	19.4
Ottawa								
May 1986 index	132.9	123.0	137.3	119.0	136.5	132.5	128.7	168.2
% change from April 1986	0.5	0.7	0.1	0.6	0.7	1.6	0.9	1.2
% change from May 1985	4.3	6.5	2.3	2.2	4.7	2.3	4.9	13.5
Toronto								
May 1986 index	133.4	129.0	133.9	121.9	135.2	134.2	130.7	171.4
% change from April 1986	0.5	0.9	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.2	1.0	1.9
% change from May 1985	4.5	2.6	3.7	4.3	5.0	5.2	4.6	14.0
Thunder Bay								
May 1986 index	132.3	126.4	133.3	118.5	134.3	134.1	129.0	164.3
% change from April 1986	0.6	0.5	0.2	1.2	0.7	0.4	1.2	1.2
% change from May 1985	3.8	4.3	2.0	3.7	3.6	3.2	4.9	11.3
Winnipeg								
May 1986 index	130.0	119.3	134.0	118.0	129.1	127.2	131.6	173.9
% change from April 1986	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.8
% change from May 1985	3.9	4.8	3.1	3.3	1.5	2.8	4.9	12.6

Consumer Price Indexes for Urban Centres (continued)

The indexes in this table measure within each city the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.¹

	All-items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation	Health and personal care	Recreation and education	Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages
Regina								
May 1986 index	127.0	115.5	133.9	113.5	118.6	136.1	128.1	165.5
% change from April 1986	0.6	1.4	0.7	-0.8	-0.2	1.2	1.1	0.4
% change from May 1985	1.6	-3.0	3.6	-1.4	-2.9	3.0	4.0	13.4
Saskatoon								
May 1986 index	128.8	117.3	132.5	118.5	125.9	131.1	131.1	163.4
% change from April 1986	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.2	0.8	1.3	0.4
% change from May 1985	4.3	3.7	4.5	0.3	1.8	2.7	5.9	13.2
Edmonton								
May 1986 index	128.0	127.5	122.5	116.4	132.3	134.0	127.7	175.2
% change from April 1986	0.5	1.0	0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.6	0.6
% change from May 1985	3.1	5.2	1.4	2.6	1.4	3.6	2.7	13.9
Calgary								
May 1986 index	127.3	124.2	122.7	113.3	133.3	136.0	128.7	171.0
% change from April 1986	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.0	-1.1	1.3	0.9
% change from May 1985	3.3	3.8	1.7	2.7	2.6	3.3	4.5	14.2
Vancouver								
May 1986 index	129.0	125.4	125.0	119.7	133.2	127.9	136.7	161.8
% change from April 1986	0.7	0.5	1.2	0.7	-0.2	0.5	0.9	0.6
% change from May 1985	3.3	3.8	2.4	1.4	1.3	2.1	5.7	12.8
Victoria²								
May 1986 index	103.8	105.3	100.7	103.9	102.6	104.8	106.5	117.4
% change from April 1986	0.6	1.0	0.5	1.1	-0.3	0.8	0.8	1.2
% change from May 1985	1.8	2.6	-0.3	2.8	-1.2	3.4	4.5	12.5

¹ For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials, refer to Table 24 of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (62-010, \$15/\$60).

² December 1984 = 100.

Data Availability Announcements

Fixed Capital Flows and Stocks 1986

Fixed capital flows and stocks have been updated and are now available on CANSIM matrices 3435-3470, 3472-3522 and 3524-3538 up to 1986 in current and constant dollars (1970 SIC).

Users should note that the figures for 1985 are preliminary while those for 1986 are projections.

For further provincial and national detail by industry, or information relating to the methodology, contact R. Landry or D. Wallace (613-990-9684), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division. The publication *Fixed Capital Flows and Stocks, 1986* (13-211, \$40), which will contain a complete set of national tables, is scheduled for release in August.

Fixed Capital Flows and Stocks 1986

Year	Total all components					
	Gross fixed capital Formation	End-year gross stock	End-year net stock	Gross fixed capital formation	End-year gross stock	End-year net stock
	Current dollars (millions)			Constant 1971 dollars (millions)		
Total manufacturing industries						
1982	11,493.3	206,466.8	123,549.9	4,009.8	73,089.1	43,815.1
1983	8,858.4	216,441.9	127,205.7	3,044.9	74,576.7	43,927.9
1984	8,887.0	228,045.8	131,215.0	2,944.4	75,984.4	43,894.4
1985	11,003.4	244,306.6	138,526.9	3,441.3	77,756.0	44,310.8
1986	12,887.5	260,229.4	146,918.7	3,882.0	79,570.5	45,112.9
Total non-manufacturing industries						
1982	55,116.8	1,005,064.3	659,844.6	21,040.8	374,372.5	245,017.5
1983	51,665.8	1,081,285.4	703,471.8	19,154.8	387,998.6	251,799.0
1984	53,910.2	1,147,286.3	740,582.3	19,704.8	401,523.1	258,714.4
1985	56,648.6	1,229,161.6	787,233.7	20,048.7	415,204.6	265,540.4
1986	58,360.9	1,323,950.0	840,320.5	19,175.0	427,763.1	271,074.5
Total manufacturing and non-manufacturing industries						
1982	66,610.1	1,211,531.1	783,394.5	25,050.6	447,461.6	288,832.6
1983	60,524.2	1,297,727.3	830,677.5	22,199.7	462,575.3	295,726.9
1984	62,797.2	1,375,332.1	871,797.3	22,649.2	477,507.5	302,608.8
1985	67,652.0	1,473,468.2	925,760.6	23,490.0	492,960.6	309,851.2
1986	69,248.4	1,584,179.4	987,239.2	23,057.0	507,333.6	316,187.4

Renal Failure Treatment

Canadian Renal Failure Register, 1985

A total of 7,774 patients under care for end-stage renal disease were reported by the 72 Canadian renal failure centres at the end of 1985. This represents a 36% increase in the number of patients under care since the Register began operation in 1981. Of these, 3,502 (45%) were alive with a functioning transplant while 4,272 (54%) were on dialysis.

For transplant operations performed during 1985, the rate per million was 29.1, an increase of 45.5% from 20.0 per million in 1981.

Contact: Leslie Gaudette (613-991-1769), Health Division.

Public Libraries

1984

Preliminary data from the 1984 survey of public libraries in Canada are now available.

Available on CANSIM: table 00600101-00600110.

Contact: Donna Owens (613-991-1562), Culture Sub-division, Education, Culture and Tourism Division.

Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns

April 1986

Restaurant, caterer and tavern receipts totalled \$1,023.9 million for April 1986, an increase of 11.2% over the \$921.1 million reported for the same period a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 52.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns* (63-011, \$5/\$50), available in approximately two weeks time. Contact: R. Lasnier (613-991-3489), Services Division.

Sugar Sales

May 1986

Canadian sugar refiners reported total sales of 89 261 888 kilograms of all types of sugar, comprising 84 932 630 kilograms in domestic sales and 4 329 258 kilograms in export sales.

This compares to total sales of 96 154 091 kilograms in May 1985, of which 91 790 535 kilograms were for domestic sales and 4 363 556 kilograms were for export sales.

Order the May 1986 issue of *The Sugar Situation* (32-013, \$4/\$40), to be released the first week of July. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Steel Ingots

April 1986

Steel ingot production for April 1986 totalled 1 274 036 tonnes, an increase of 7.1% from the 1 189 735 tonnes produced the previous year.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 58 (level 2, series 3).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 30. Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Shipments of Rolled Steel

April 1986

Rolled steel shipments for April 1986 totalled 1 058 564 tonnes, up 6.6% from the preceding month's total of 992 565 tonnes and up 6.0% from the year-earlier level of 998 814 tonnes.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 58 and 122 (series 22-25).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 23. Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Particleboard, Waferboard and Hardboard

April 1986

Canadian firms produced 123 922 cubic metres of waferboard in April 1986, an increase of 19.6% from the 103 653 cubic metres produced during the same period in 1985.

Particleboard production reached 101 528 cubic metres in April 1986, up 24.9% from the 81 258 cubic metres produced a year earlier.

Production of hardboard in April 1986 totalled 54,947,000 square feet, 1/8-inch basis, an advance of 36.7% from the 40,202,000 square feet, 1/8-inch basis produced during April 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 122 (series 8 and 34).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Particleboard, Waferboard and Hardboard* (36-003, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 23. Contact: Katherine Blais (613-991-3531), Industry Division.

Shipments of Office Furniture Products

Quarter Ending March 31, 1986

Manufacturers' shipments of office desks and chairs totalled \$67.3 million for the quarter ending March 31, 1986, an increase of 35.4% from the \$49.7 million shipped during the same period the previous year.

Shipments of files, panels and panel components totalled \$78.0 million for the first quarter of 1986, an increase of 38.8% compared to \$56.2 million shipped during the same period the previous year.

Order the Vol. 15, No. 1 issue of *Quarterly Shipments of Office Furniture Products* (35-006, \$5/\$20), to be released the week of June 23. Contact: Cathy Dover (613-990-9826), Industry Division.

Exports by Commodities

April 1986

Commodity-country export trade statistics for April 1986 are now available on microfiche, computer printouts or magnetic tapes in advance of the monthly publication.

Available on CANSIM (for selected information): matrices 3686-3713 and 3719.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, \$50/\$500), available the last week of June 1986. Contact: G. L. Blaney (613-990-9647), International Trade Division.

Stocks of Frozen Poultry Products

June 1986

Preliminary cold storage of frozen poultry products at June 1, 1986 and revised figures for May 1, 1986 are now available.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5675-5677.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release the first week of July. Contact: P. Beerstecher (613-990-8716), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Selected Financial Indexes

May 1986

May 1986 figures are now available for the selected financial indexes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 412.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in August. Contact: the Prices Division (613-990-9601).

Publications Released

Monthly Production of Soft Drinks,
April 1986
Catalogue number 32-001
(Canada: \$2/\$20; Other Countries: \$3/\$30)

The Sugar Situation,
April 1986
Catalogue number 32-013
(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

**Factory Sales of Electric
Storage Batteries,** March 1986
Catalogue number 43-005
(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

**Mineral Wool Including Fibrous
Glass Insulation,** April 1986
Catalogue number 44-004
(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin,
Vol. 18, No. 5, June 1986
Catalogue number 51-004
(Canada: \$8.50/\$85; Other Countries:
\$9.50/\$95)

Construction Statistics,
Vol. 9, No. 5: **Housing Stock in Canada,
the Provinces and Territories,** 1985
Catalogue number 64-003
(Canada: \$5/\$30; Other Countries: \$6/\$36)

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Week of June 16-20

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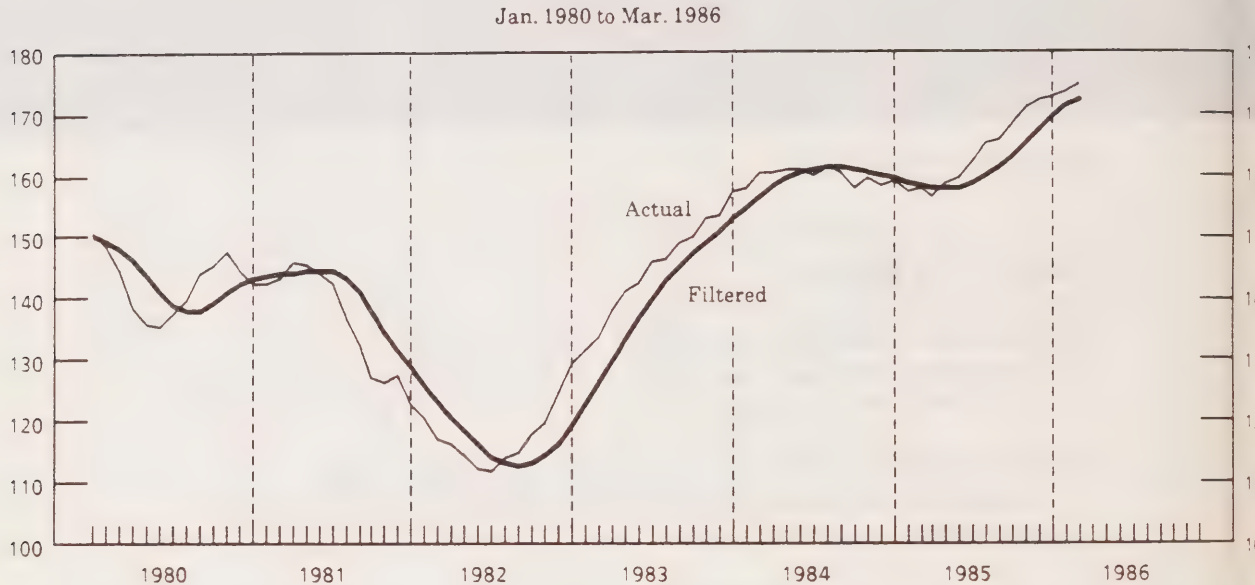
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The Canadian Composite Leading Index (1971 = 100)



Composite Leading Indicator March 1986

The Canadian composite leading indicator rose to 172.3 in March, with the monthly advance easing to 0.9% from 1.0%. After accelerating continuously between May and December 1985, driven by household-demand indicators, the increase in the indicator has slowed gradually over the latest three months.

The recent deceleration, initially concentrated in indicators of household spending, was extended to the manufacturing indicators in March. However, a firming of long-term indicators kept the advance in the composite index consistent with the historical average for expansions. These long-term indicators – the United States leading indicator and the stock-exchange index – contributed the most to increases in the non-filtered index of 0.3% in March and 1.1% in February.

(see table on page 3)

Available on CANSIM: matrix 161.

Additional data and further analysis of the Leading Indicator are available in the monthly *Current Economic Indicators* (13-005, \$10/\$100). This publication also contains the Monthly Economic Review that formerly appeared in the *Daily*. The June issue of this publication will be released on the 20th of this month. For further information on data published in this issue and the next release dates, or about ordering, contact G. Proulx (613-990-9163). For general information contact D. Rhoades (613-990-9161), Econometric Analysis Division.

Canadian Leading Indicators

	% Change						Level
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	March
Composite leading index (1971 = 100)							
Filtered	1.09	1.26	1.29	1.13	1.03	.87	172.30
Unfiltered	1.59	1.65	.79	.04	1.05	.28	174.28
Retail trade							
Furniture and appliance sales	1.02	1.13	1.11	.60	.24	.00	119,543 ⁴
New motor vehicle sales	1.55	1.59	2.51	1.16	.50	-1.47	752,574 ⁴
Residential construction index ¹	4.51	2.36	-.31	-.42	-.44	-1.32	92.35
Manufacturing							
New orders - durable	.79	1.00	1.70	.88	.99	-.25	3,714 ⁵
Shipment to inventory ratio - (Finished goods) ²	.003	.007	.013	.016	.014	.006	1.70
Average workweek (Hours)	.05	.14	.09	.08	-.03	-.14	38.94
Percentage change in price per unit labour cost ²	.03	.04	.03	.03	.04	.04	-.16
United States composite leading index (1972 = 100)	.46	.48	.60	.56	.58	.62	173.99
TSE 300 stock price index (Excluding oil and gas)	.02	.58	1.28	1.52	1.85	2.87	2,820
Money supply (M1) (\$1971)³	.63	.71	.63	.24	-.08	-.22	10,371 ⁵

¹ Composite index of housing starts (units), building permits (constant dollars) and mortgage loan approvals (numbers). Because of the unavailability of the actual level of mortgage loan approvals, a forecast was used in the computation of the residential index for the three last months.

² Difference from previous month.

³ Deflated by the consumer price index for all items.

⁴ Thousands of 1971 dollars.

⁵ Millions of 1971 dollars.

Sales of Refined Petroleum Products

April 1986

Preliminary figures show that in April 1986, sales of refined petroleum products in Canada amounted to 5 909 800 cubic metres, down 1.2% from a year earlier. Cumulative figures for the first four months of 1986 show sales of petroleum products were down 2% from January-April 1985.

Sales of the main products, with the percentage change from April 1985 in brackets, were as follows: motor gasoline, 2 585 900 cubic metres (-1.0%); kerosene stove oil, 41 000 cubic metres (-7.2%); diesel fuel, 1 102 700 cubic metres (+0.9%); light fuel oil, 519 200 cubic metres (-16.5%) and heavy fuel oil, 445 500 cubic metres (-12.7%).

Production of petroleum products by Canadian refiners amounted to 5 605 517 cubic metres, down 7.0% from April 1985.

For the first four months of 1986, sales of refined petroleum products amounted to 24 462 296 cubic metres. Year-to-date sales of the main products, with the percentage change from January-April 1985 in brackets, were as follows: motor gasoline, 9 664 374 cubic metres (-2.4%); kerosene stove oil, 317 831 cubic metres (-14.3%); diesel fuel, 4 324 564 cubic metres (+1.6%); light fuel oil, 3 550 026 cubic metres (-11.7%) and heavy fuel oil, 1 898 057 cubic metres (-18.2%).

Year-to-date production of petroleum products by Canadian refiners amounted to 26 848 998 cubic metres, up 1.6% from the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 10 and 626-647.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, \$15/\$150), available the third week of July. Contact: Gérard O'Connor (613-991-3562), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Research and Development Spending

1986

Expenditures on scientific research and experimental development (R&D) in 1986 are expected to total about \$6.3 billion, an increase of 4% over 1985. Estimated 1986 spending levels are off from expenditure growth for 1985 (11%) and 1984 (12%).

Order the Vol. 10, No. 5 issue of *Science Statistics* (88-001, \$6/\$60), available today. Contact: Humphrey Stead (613-990-9919), Science and Technology Statistics.

Stocks of Food Commodities in Cold Storage and Other Warehouses

1985

Cold storage holdings of creamery butter decreased to 20 422 tonnes at January 1, 1986 from 28 227 tonnes a year earlier, while stocks of cheddar cheese decreased to 39 168 tonnes from 40 245 tonnes.

Stocks of skim milk powder decreased to 15 558 tonnes at January 1, 1986 from 23 231 tonnes the previous year. Stocks of evaporated whole milk dropped to 14 062 kilolitres from 21 849 kilolitres at January 1, 1985.

Stocks of frozen poultry increased to 30 582 tonnes at January 1, 1986 from 29 253 tonnes a year earlier while stocks of frozen meats increased to 36 061 tonnes from 33 664 tonnes.

Order the 1985 issue of *Stocks of Food Commodities in Cold Storage and Other Warehouses* (32-217, \$30), available towards the end of June. Contact: P.L. Beerstecher (613-990-8714), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Footwear Statistics

April 1986

Canadian manufacturers produced 4,168,397 pairs of footwear in April 1986, an increase of 13.9% over the 3,659,735 pairs produced during the same period a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 8.

Order the April issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 16. Contact: T. Raj Sehdev (613-991-3510), Industry Division.

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Railway Carloadings

10 Days Ending May 31, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the 10 days ending May 31, 1986 totalled 6.9 million tonnes, a decrease of 10.9% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 20 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release this week. Contact: Wayne Reinhard (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.



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**Production and Inventories of
Process Cheese and Instant Skim**

Milk Powder, March 1986

Catalogue number 32-024

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Corrugated Boxes and

Wrappers, April 1986

Catalogue number 36-004

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

**Electric Lamps (Light Bulbs
and Tubes), April 1986**

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- Nearly half the adult Canadian population either smokes or lives with a smoker

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Major Releases

General Social Survey

1985

Nearly half the adult Canadian population either smokes or lives with a smoker. Preliminary data from the General Social Survey (GSS) show that only one Canadian in three smokes daily but that an additional three million non-smoking adults live with someone who smokes.

Other health-related findings from this survey include:

- Four out of five Canadians report that their health is "excellent" or "good", with fewer than one in 25 describing their health as "poor". Nearly one in 10 Canadians aged 65 and over reported being in poor health.
- About 2.7 million Canadians have not had their blood pressure checked recently, a figure which includes over 500,000 adults who report that their blood pressure has never been checked.
- Sixty-three per cent of the adult population drink alcoholic beverages at least once a month, a figure which is little changed from the 65% reported in 1978-79. At all ages men are much more likely than women to drink alcohol (74% versus 53%).
- Men are more likely than women to smoke at all ages except for ages 15 to 24 where 27% of males are daily smokers as compared with 30% of females.

Findings related to the elderly show that:

- Two out of three persons 65 and over provide support to organizations or persons outside their own household, with one in three providing more than one kind of support. Over half the persons in this age group provide financial support to organizations such as churches and hospitals and to persons outside the household, while about one in six babysit or provide transportation.
- Most people 55 years and over living outside institutions feel they are able to carry out daily activities such as light housework, grocery shopping, meal preparation, managing money, and personal care. However, three in 10 say that they require help or are unable to do yard work, while one in five report having trouble with or are unable to do heavy housework.

The General Social Survey is a new annual survey designed by Statistics Canada with two objectives: first, to monitor changes in Canadian society over time, and second, to provide information on specific social policy issues. The first GSS, conducted in September and October 1985, collected data on health for the adult population and social support for the elderly. A sample of 11,200 persons aged 15 and over was interviewed in the 10 provinces.

A set of preliminary tables is now available. A public use microdata file will be available this fall and the first detailed report will be released in February 1987. Contact: Janet Hagey (613-991-2572) or Gareth Jones (613-990-9293), Housing, Family and Social Statistics Division.

Leading Indicator of Building Construction Activity in Canada

February 1986

The leading indicator of building construction activity in Canada (1981=100) increased slightly (+0.7%) in February to 94.6 from 93.9 in January. A continued strengthening in residential construction intentions was responsible for the increase.

The filtered index of residential construction continued to rise (+1.1%) in February to 108.5. Both the single, and to a lesser extent, multi-family dwelling sectors were responsible for this increase. On a regional basis, the trend-cycle of building permits issued gained in Quebec and Ontario, decreased in the Atlantic provinces and remained relatively unchanged in Western Canada.

The filtered index of non-residential construction (excluding engineering projects) edged up 0.2% to 79.9 in February from 79.7 in January. Moderate increases were recorded for both the commercial (+0.5%) and public (+0.1%) indexes while the industrial component continued to drop (-1.1%) for the ninth consecutive month. The trend-cycle of non-residential permits issued was up slightly in the Atlantic provinces, Ontario and British Columbia while there was a levelling-off of permits issued in Quebec and the Prairies.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 80 (level 9-15).

Order the March 1986 issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, \$20/\$200), scheduled for release the third week of July. Contact: Lizette Gervais-Simard (613-990-9689), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division.

Leading Indicator of Building Construction Activity in Canada

(1981 = 100)

	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Dec. 1985	Nov. 1985	Feb. 1985	Jan. 1985	Dec. 1984	Nov. 1984	% Variation	
									Feb. '86/ Jan. '86	Feb. '86/ Feb. '85
Total index	94.6	93.9	93.2	92.7	78.9	76.6	74.9	73.6	+0.7	+19.9
Residential	108.5	107.3	106.2	105.1	81.1	78.3	76.5	75.5	+1.1	+33.8
Non-residential	79.9	79.7	79.6	79.7	76.6	74.9	73.2	71.6	+0.2	+4.3
Industrial	74.2	75.0	75.8	76.8	77.8	76.3	74.4	72.1	-1.1	-4.6
Commercial	77.5	77.1	76.7	76.3	68.0	66.6	65.2	64.0	+0.5	+14.0
Public	89.7	89.6	89.9	90.6	92.5	90.8	89.3	88.3	+0.1	-3.0

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Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products

May 1986

Canadian tobacco product firms produced 4,410,809,000 cigarettes in May 1986, down 32.1% from the 6,500,000,000 cigarettes manufactured during the same period in 1985.

Domestic sales amounted to 4,421,247,000 cigarettes in May 1986, a decrease of 25.6% from the May 1985 amount of 5,943,099,000 cigarettes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 46.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 30. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes

April 1986

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,643,801 phonograph records in April 1986, up from the 3,360,390 produced the previous year.

Production of pre-recorded tapes in the latest period reached 3,055,444 - up from 2,570,810 tapes in April 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 2904.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada* (47-004, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 23. Contact: Don Grant (613-991-3518), Industry Division.

Oils and Fats

March 1986

Production by Canadian manufacturers of all types of deodorized oils in March 1986 totalled 47 861 tonnes, a decrease of 5.1% from the 50 413 tonnes produced in February 1986.

Manufacturers' packaged sales of shortening totalled 7 270 tonnes in March 1986, up from the 7 180 tonnes sold the previous month. Sales of packaged salad oil increased to 5 769 tonnes in March 1986 from 5 182 tonnes in February.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 184.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, \$4/\$40), to be released the first week of July. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Federal Government Finance, Revenue and Expenditure

1986-87

1984/85 actual data, 1985/86 estimates and 1986/87 forecast data are available at 10:00 today from CANSIM matrices 2777 and 2778. Contact: G. Huneault (613-991-1812), Public Institutions Division.

Imports by Commodities

April 1986

Commodity-country import trade statistics for April 1986 are now available on microfiche, computer printouts or magnetic tapes in advance of the monthly publication.

Available on CANSIM (for selected information): matrices 3652-3678 and 3718.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Imports by Commodities* (65-007, \$50/\$500), available the last week of June. Contact: G. L. Blaney (613-990-9647), International Trade Division.

Publication Released

Department Store Monthly Sales, by
Province and Selected Metropolitan Area,
April 1986

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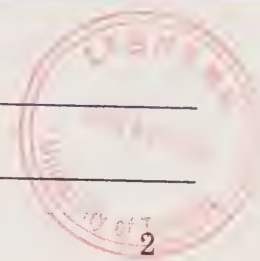
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Major Release

Family Characteristics and Labour Force Activity, 1977-1985

- The number of married women in the labour force has increased by 38% since 1977



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Major Releases

Family Characteristics and Labour Force Activity

1977-1985

(Overview)

Between 1977 and 1985, the number of married women in the labour force grew by 38%, a period when the total number of married women in Canada increased by only 11%. In contrast, the number of married men participating in the labour force has increased by only 7% since 1977.

Among all women with young children, growth has been even more substantial. In 1977, an estimated 315,000 women with young children (i.e. under the age of three) were in the labour force. By 1985 that number had climbed 65% to 520,000.

Husband-wife Families

Out of 5,833,000 husband-wife families in 1985, there were almost as many working wives (2,879,000) as there were wives who were either unemployed or not in the labour force (2,954,000).

An estimated 27% of married women who were employed were working part-time compared to only 3% of husbands.

Lone-parent Families

The number of single-parent families increased substantially between 1977 and 1985. More specifically, the number of women who were heads of families with no husband present increased to 779,000 (+39%) from 561,000 while the number of men who were heads of families with no wife present increased to 209,000 (+32%) from 158,000.

Because more women are participating in the labour force, there has been an increasing need for family-related labour market statistics. The May issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001) contains an article entitled "Family Characteristics and Labour Force Activity: An Update". This article presents a set of tables which relates the labour force activity of individuals to selected characteristics of the families to which they belong. The estimates are 1985 annual averages produced by the Labour Force Survey.

A similar set of tables covering 1977-1984 was released earlier this year and is available in the publication *Family Characteristics and Labour Market Activity: Annual Averages, 1977-1984* (71-533, \$33).

Order the May 1986 issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, \$20/\$200), available today. Contact: Jean-Marc Levésque (613-990-9452), Labour and Household Surveys Analysis Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Telephone Statistics

March 1986

Canada's 13 major telephone systems reported monthly revenues of \$848.0 million in March 1986, up 5.5% from the previous year.

Operating expenses were \$573.0 million, an increase of 2.1% over March 1985 while net operating revenue totalled \$275.0 million, an increase of 13.3% from March 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 355.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Telephone Statistics* (56-002, \$7.50/\$75), scheduled for release the week of June 23. Contact: J.R. Slattery (613-990-8693), Services Division.

Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics

February 1986

In February 1986, 66 Canadian urban transit systems collected 120,789,013 initial passenger fares. Operating revenues amounted to \$75,309,179.

During the same period, 20 passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations carried 1,670,673 fare passengers and earned \$16,272,556 in operating revenues.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 351 and 352.

Order the February 1986 issue of *Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics* (53-003, \$6.50/\$65), available this week. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Transportation Division.

Airport Activity Statistics: Scheduled Services

September 1985

Advance airport activity data indicate that over 3.2 million passengers travelling on scheduled services, enplaned and deplaned at the top 10 Canadian airports during September 1985, an increase of 1.0% over September 1984.

Traffic for the first nine months of 1985 was up 1.9% from the 28,694,761 passengers that enplaned and deplaned at the top 10 airports during the same period in 1984. The top 10 airports recorded considerable fluctuations for the first nine months of 1985 from 1984; variations ranged from -1.8% at Montreal International (Dorval) to 9.6% at Halifax International. Seven airports showed gains in traffic.

Order the Vol. 18, No. 6 issue of the *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), available the second week of July. Contact: K. Davidson (819-997-1386), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation Division.

Steel Ingots

Week Ending June 14, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending June 14, 1986 totalled 277 899 tonnes, an increase of 2.7% from the preceding week's total of 270 650 tonnes but down 2.2% from the year-earlier level of 284 244 tonnes.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Publications Released

Current Economic Indicators,
Vol. 2, No. 5, June 1986
Catalogue number 13-005
(Canada: \$10/\$100; Other Countries: \$11/\$110)

Production of Poultry and Eggs, 1985
Catalogue number 23-202
(Canada: \$30; Other Countries: \$31)

**Apparent Per Capita Food Consumption
in Canada - Part 1, 1985**
Catalogue number 32-229
(Canada: \$25; Other Countries: \$26)

Exports by Countries,
January-March 1986
Catalogue number 65-003
(Canada: \$75/\$300; Other Countries: \$85/\$340)

**International Travel -
Advance Information,**
April 1986
Catalogue number 66-001P
(Canada: \$5/\$50; Other Countries: \$6/\$60)

The Labour Force, May 1986
Catalogue number 71-001
(Canada: \$20/\$200; Other Countries:
\$21.50/\$215)

Vital Statistics Quarterly,
January-March 1986
Catalogue number 84-001
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- Retail sales totalled \$11.5 billion, up 9.5% from April 1985

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Population of Canada, the Provinces and Territories, April 1, 1986

- Canada's population reached an estimated 25,551,200 persons, up 232,000 from a year earlier

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Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, April 1986

- The seasonally adjusted value of new orders increased 5.1% from the preceding month but remained 1.8% below the peak reached in February

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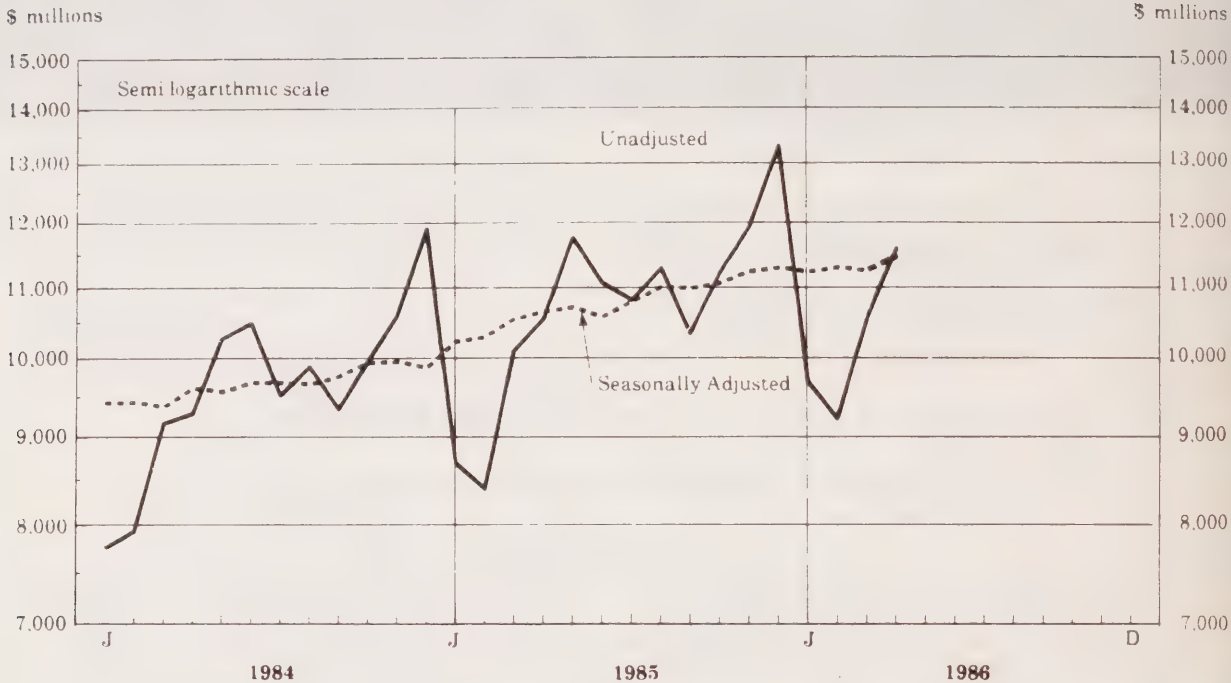
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Major Releases

Monthly Retail Trade, Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted, Canada, 1984-1986



Retail Trade

April 1986

Seasonally Adjusted Sales

Retail sales totalled \$11,518 million (not adjusted for price change) in April 1986, an increase of 2.3% from the previous month's revised total of \$11,258 million. This increase more than offset the 0.5% decline recorded in March 1986. (The magnitude and direction of the changes observed in March and April may have been partly due to the fact that, for the first time in eight years, Easter occurred in March.) In terms of recent trends, during the first four months of 1986, retail sales advanced on average by 0.4% each month, a significant reduction from the 0.8% average increase recorded in the last four months of 1985.

The following trade groups had the most significant impact on the overall 2.3% increase in retail trade in April: motor vehicle dealers (+10.3%), combination stores (+2.9%) and grocery, confectionery and sundries stores (+1.7%). The strong 10.3% increase in motor vehicle dealer sales was in part due to the combined impact of the fewer number of trading days in March and improved car sales incentives in April. Partly offsetting the impact of these increases was a 2.5% decrease in service station sales, the fourth consecutive month in which these sales have declined, and a 0.2% decrease in department store sales. The decreases in service station sales have been largely attributable to declining gasoline prices.

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The following provinces and territories posted gains that were significantly higher than the national average: Nova Scotia (+4.5%), Yukon and Northwest Territories (+3.8%), Saskatchewan (+3.3%) and Ontario and Prince Edward Island (both at 2.7%).

Unadjusted Sales

Total retail trade for April 1986 rose 9.5% or \$1,007 million over the same month last year, totalling \$11,548 million (not adjusted for price change). The increase followed a more moderate gain of 4.3% recorded in March 1986. Cumulative retail sales for the first four months of 1986 totalled \$41,001 million, up 8.6% over the corresponding period in 1985.

Motor vehicle dealers and food stores, which in total account for approximately 50% of total retail sales, registered increases of 12.5% and 9.8% respectively as compared to April 1985. Department store sales, which totalled \$977 million in April 1986, were up 7.7% from the same month a year earlier. This was the

tenth consecutive month during which, on a year-over-year basis, department stores sales have increased.

On a provincial basis, most of the year-over-year growth was concentrated in Quebec, where sales grew by 11.3% and in Ontario, where sales were up 9.8%. The Yukon and Northwest Territories, at 10.6%, also posted significant gains. At the metropolitan area level, the following sales gains were recorded: Montreal (+12.5%), Toronto (+11.5%), Vancouver (+9.4%) and Winnipeg (+8.7%). (see table on page 4)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2300-2304, 2306-2313, 2315-2317, 2320 and 2321.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, \$14/\$140), available the third week of July. Contact: Lina Di Piéto (613-991-3551) or Maurice Massaad (613-990-9682), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Retail Trade, Canada, by Kind of Business

Kind of Business	Unadjusted Sales All Stores				Seasonally Adjusted Sales All Stores				
	Apr. '85	Mar. '86	Apr. '86	Apr. '86/'85	Jan. '86	Feb. '86	Mar. '86	Apr. '86	Apr./Mar. '86
	(millions of \$)			%	(millions of \$)				%
Combination stores (groceries and meat)	1,867.6	1,957.7	2,003.5	7.2	2,002.7	2,019.7	2,015.9	2,074.7	2.9
Grocery, confectionery and sundries stores	473.5	536.8	561.0	18.4	562.6	576.4	574.2	583.9	1.7
All other food stores	187.1	204.5	210.7	12.6	205.1	208.3	215.0	212.5	-1.1
Department stores	906.9	900.4	976.9	7.7	1,046.9	1,037.0	1,062.3	1,059.8	-0.2
General merchandise stores	206.3	217.1	227.6	10.3	242.5	222.4	238.9	239.3	0.2
General stores	153.1	160.4	166.7	8.9	172.8	174.9	176.4	177.2	0.4
Variety stores	96.4	95.8	94.8	-1.6	108.9	106.1	112.6	105.4	-6.4
Motor vehicle dealers	2,536.6	2,303.0	2,854.7	12.5	2,309.3	2,351.2	2,158.5	2,381.1	10.3
Used car dealers	63.6	64.9	79.0	24.2	57.4	59.5	61.4	64.6	5.2
Service stations	867.3	883.2	843.0	-2.8	933.5	931.9	916.6	893.9	-2.5
Garages	128.5	116.9	142.7	11.0	125.9	125.8	125.1	139.1	11.2
Automotive parts and accessories stores	233.7	191.8	255.8	9.4	237.9	245.0	254.4	248.9	-2.1
Men's clothing stores	97.0	89.0	105.9	9.1	110.6	112.1	114.5	116.4	1.7
Women's clothing stores	222.7	211.6	246.0	10.4	241.2	237.7	242.9	246.2	1.4
Family clothing stores	144.3	146.6	158.4	9.8	159.8	165.3	167.8	165.3	-1.5
Specialty shoe stores	17.8	15.2	19.7	10.3	17.6	18.0	18.5	19.0	2.5
Family shoe stores	88.7	78.4	101.4	14.2	92.8	94.5	97.6	99.0	1.5
Hardware stores	85.6	78.2	98.2	14.7	99.2	101.7	102.9	105.8	2.8
Household furniture stores	120.6	129.0	133.0	10.2	131.4	134.9	137.8	138.8	0.8
Household appliance stores	40.1	46.3	47.5	18.3	48.9	50.2	52.3	52.1	-0.4
Furniture, TV, radio and appliance stores	83.9	89.8	89.0	6.0	95.2	93.4	94.2	96.5	2.5
Pharmacies, patent medicine and cosmetics stores	409.2	464.5	470.8	15.0	485.8	489.7	488.1	494.4	1.3
Book and stationery stores	47.8	56.8	53.3	11.6	61.8	61.5	63.3	63.4	0.1
Florists	44.8	42.2	38.9	-13.2	40.4	41.3	47.8	34.2	-28.5
Jewellery stores	55.1	52.7	59.4	7.7	81.8	82.0	80.4	80.7	0.4
Sporting goods and accessories stores	172.8	133.5	181.7	5.1	161.5	159.0	159.7	161.5	1.1
Personal accessories stores	117.1	130.6	136.0	16.1	153.3	150.9	154.3	157.1	1.9
All other stores	1,072.8	1,150.3	1,192.6	11.1	1,257.9	1,269.5	1,325.0	1,306.5	-1.4
All stores - Total	10,541.1	10,547.2	11,548.2	9.5	11,244.6	11,319.9	11,258.2	11,517.5	2.3

Population of Canada, the Provinces and Territories

April 1, 1986

Canada's population totalled an estimated 25,551,200 persons at April 1, 1986, up 232,000 from the level a year earlier. This 0.9% rise marks the smallest percentage increase in the last five decades and continues a population slowdown which began in the 1960s. (The average annual rate of population increase was 2.7% in the 1950s, 1.8% in the 1960s, 1.2% in the 1970s and 1.0% in the first five years of the 1980s.)

There has been a significant shift in the factors underlying the slowdown of population growth over the period. During the first five years of the 1980s, the slowdown was due primarily to a reduction in immigration - from 132,000 persons in 1981-82 to 85,000 in 1985-86 (April to March). In earlier years, particularly in the 1960s, the major factor was the sharp downturn in the birth rate.

Postcensal population estimates for the provinces and territories at April 1, 1986 were as follows, with the percentage changes from a year earlier in brackets:

● Newfoundland	580,000	(0.00%);
● Prince Edward Island	128,000	(0.55%);
● Nova Scotia	883,100	(0.50%);
● New Brunswick	720,900	(0.29%);
● Quebec	6,618,500	(0.67%);
● Ontario	9,164,400	(1.31%);
● Manitoba	1,077,200	(0.79%);
● Saskatchewan	1,020,200	(0.36%);
● Alberta	2,384,200	(1.29%);
● British Columbia	2,901,000	(0.69%);
● Yukon	22,800	(-1.72%);
● Northwest Territories	51,000	(0.00%).

Numbers have been rounded independently to the nearest hundred. The annual rate of change for the territories should be interpreted with caution in view of their small population size.

Population growth by province showed considerable variation in the last year:

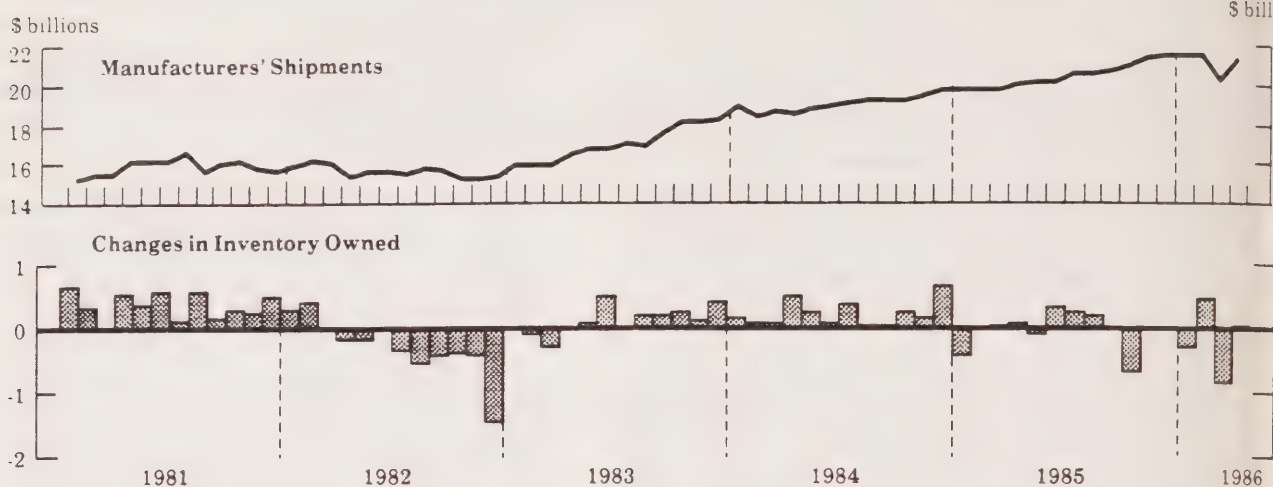
- Ontario and Alberta recorded the highest rate of increase (1.3%) while the remaining provinces registered growth rates below the national average.
- Ontario's high rate of increase was largely due to sizable population gains from other provinces. In the 12 months to April 1, 1986 some 35,000 more people moved into the province than left it.
- Alberta's increase, on the other hand, primarily reflected its high rate of natural increase (difference between births and deaths). Moreover, interprovincial migration losses dropped to 3,300 persons in 1985-86 (April to March) from a net loss of 31,600 in 1984-85. The 1.3% population increase for Alberta marks a reversal in the downward trend in the rate of increase noted since 1982 for this province.
- Quebec's rate of increase in the latest period was only 0.7% - about half the rate of increase for Ontario and Alberta. It is notable though that Quebec's losses due to interprovincial migration were greatly reduced to a net loss of only 3,700 persons compared to almost 26,000 in 1981-82.

These postcensal estimates will appear in catalogue 91-001 in the next few weeks and are also available on CANSIM as are current quarterly figures on immigration and interprovincial migration: quarterly population estimates, matrix 1; immigration, matrices 2, 3 and 397; interprovincial migration (Revenue Canada), matrix 6981; interprovincial migration (family allowances), matrices 5731 and 6982.

To obtain information on population estimates, contact: Lise Champagne (613-991-2320), Demography Division.

Manufacturers' Shipments and Changes in Inventory Owned, 1981-1986

(Seasonally adjusted)



Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries

April 1986

Highlights

- Preliminary estimates indicate that the seasonally adjusted value of shipments for all Canadian manufacturing industries increased 5.7% in April to \$21,365 million, following a decline of 5.6% in March. In spite of the sharp increase in April, the level of shipments was still 0.7% below the January peak. This peak followed increases averaging 0.9% monthly, dating back over a 10-month period. The increase in April was broadly based across all major industry groups with the notable exception of refined petroleum and coal products industries which posted an 8.5% decrease. (It should be noted that fluctuations of the magnitude observed in March and April are infrequent and in this instance coincided with Easter falling in March for the first time in eight years.)
- The seasonally adjusted value of new orders received in April increased 5.1% to \$21,327 million, but remained 1.8% below the peak of \$21,717 million reached in February.
- The February peak followed five consecutive monthly increases in the value of new orders.
- The seasonally adjusted unfilled orders backlog at the end of April was down 0.2% to \$24,625 million. Prior to this decline, unfilled orders had increased an average of 0.7% a month since the last decrease observed in November 1985.
- Seasonally adjusted inventories owned by manufacturers at the end of April totalled \$34,007 million, virtually unchanged from the March level of \$33,957 million. Inventories owned in April stood 2.3% lower than the February peak level of \$34,799 million.
- The ratio of seasonally adjusted total inventory owned to seasonally adjusted shipments dropped from 1.68:1 in March to 1.59:1 in April. The April ratio is at a historically low level.
- Not adjusted for seasonal variations, manufacturers' shipments in April 1986 reached \$21,621 million, 7.3% higher than the April (continued on page 6)

1985 value of \$20,150 million. Cumulative shipments for the first four months of 1986, at an estimated value of \$82,866 million, were up 6.9% over the \$77,483 million recorded for the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 9550-9580.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, \$15/\$150), available in three to four weeks time. Data for shipments by province in greater detail than normally published may be available on request. Contact the Shipments, Inventories and Orders Section (613-990-9832), Industry Division.

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in all Manufacturing Industries
(Based on 1982 Census of Manufactures Benchmarks)
(millions of dollars)

	Apr. 1986 ^p	Mar. 1986 ^r	Feb. 1986	Apr. 1985
Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Shipments - Total	21,621.0	21,100.1	20,042.2	20,149.8
New orders - Total	21,619.9	21,239.8	20,522.5	19,998.5
Unfilled orders - Total	24,810.2	24,811.4	24,671.7	23,926.3
Inventory owned - Total	34,491.7	34,591.0	35,110.4	34,322.4
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Shipments - Total	21,364.7	20,219.2	21,414.5	19,902.3
New orders - Total	21,326.9	20,297.3	21,716.9	19,727.1
Unfilled orders - Total	24,625.1	24,662.9	24,584.8	23,758.9
Inventory owned - Total	34,007.2	33,956.5	34,798.7	33,849.2
Ratio of total inventories owned to shipments	1.59	1.68	1.63	1.70

^p Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

Data Availability Announcements

Railway Carloadings

Seven Days Ending June 7, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the seven days ending June 7, 1986 totalled 4.9 million tonnes, a decrease of 1.6% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 21 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release the week of June 23. Contact: Wayne Reinhard (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Oilseed Crushings

May 1986

Domestic crushings of vegetable oilseeds and the subsequent production of oil and meal for the latest periods were as follows:

- Canola-rapeseed, May 1986: 83 939 tonnes of crushings, with 33 969 tonnes of oil and 48 452 tonnes of meal produced.
- Soybeans, May 1986: 96 200 tonnes of crushings, with 17 285 tonnes of oil and 74 896 tonnes of meal produced.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5687.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release July 24. Contact: Allister Hickson

(204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or Glenn Lennox (613-991-3860), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Construction Type Plywood

April 1986

Canadian firms produced 217,337,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis (192 322 cubic metres, 9.525 millimetres basis) of construction type plywood during April 1986, an increase of 13.4% over the 191,663,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis (169 602 cubic metres, 9.525 millimetres basis) produced during April 1985.

January to April 1986 production totalled 823,669,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis (728 864 cubic metres, 9.525 millimetres basis), an increase of 10.3% over the 746,620,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis (660 684 cubic metres, 9.525 millimetres basis) produced during the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 122 (level 1).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Construction Type Plywood* (35-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the first week of July. Contact: Jock Dobie (604-666-2671), British Columbia and Yukon Regional Office, Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 3C9.

Publications Released

Air Carrier Traffic at Canadian Airports, Fourth Quarter/Annual 1984
Catalogue number 51-005
(Canada: \$38/\$152; Other Countries: \$39/\$156)

Air Passenger Origin and Destination - Domestic Report, 1985
Catalogue number 51-204
(Canada: \$28; Other Countries: \$29)

Consumption of Purchased Fuel and Electricity, by the Manufacturing, Mining, Logging and Electric Power Industries, 1983
Catalogue number 57-208
(Canada: \$20; Other Countries: \$21)

Construction Price Statistics, First Quarter 1986
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(Release dates are subject to change)

Anticipated date of release	Title	Reference period
June		
23	Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing Industries	First Quarter 1986
23	Security Transactions with Non-residents	April 1986
23-27	Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments	First Quarter 1986
23-30	Gross National Product	First Quarter 1986
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Monday, June 23, 1986

Major Releases

Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing Industries, First Quarter 1986

- Capacity utilization edged down by 0.1% from the previous quarter to 78.2%

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- Property and casualty insurance companies reported underwriting losses of \$177 million

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Major Releases

Capacity Utilization in Canadian Manufacturing

First Quarter 1986

Capacity utilization rates in Canadian manufacturing industries edged down 0.1% to 78.2% in the first quarter of 1986 from 78.3% in the fourth quarter of 1985. While capacity utilization for manufacturing showed little change, the number of industries posting rates of capacity utilization above 80.0% increased to eight in the first quarter of 1986, up from seven industries in the previous quarter.

Reflecting a surge in residential building starts, industries manufacturing construction materials (cement, window and door frames, wood products) posted notable increases in their capacity utilization rates: gains were recorded in the non-metallic mineral products industries (6.8%), wood industries (1.8%), and metal fabricating industries (1.4%). The rise in building starts also led to capacity utilization increases in the electrical products industries (3.5%), and primary metals industries (0.8%), aluminum in particular.

Capacity utilization in the knitting and clothing industries fell 4.4% in the first quarter of 1986. Following high production levels in the previous two quarters the industry likely reduced production to keep inventories of finished goods from becoming too large. Capacity utilization decreased in the transportation equipment industries (-4.1%) and in the machinery industries (-2.6%) due to

weak export sales. Capacity utilization in miscellaneous manufacturing industries dropped 3.8%. This was due to lower production of scientific and professional equipment and reflects a decrease in research and development spending plans for 1986. Other decreases in capacity utilization rates were recorded in the petroleum and coal products industries (-2.4%), and chemical and chemical products industries (-3.3%), in both cases this was due to slack demand.

Utilization rates in durable manufacturing industries increased by 0.3% in the first quarter of 1986 to 73.2% from 73.0% in the fourth quarter of 1985.

In the non-durable sector, capacity utilization rates dropped 0.4% to 83.5% from 83.8%.

(see table on page 3)

Starting in the second quarter of 1986, the industrial major groups for which capacity utilization rates are calculated will be based on the 1980 Standard Industrial Classification. Currently, the major industrial groups are defined by the 1970 version of the Standard Industrial Classification. This change will result in the number of industrial major groups increasing to 22 from the present 19.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 3539.

Contact: D. Wallace or R. Landry (613-990-9684), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division.

Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing

First Quarter 1986 and Quarterly Percentage Changes

Industry	QI 1986	QI 86/ QIV 85	QIV 1985	QIV 85/ QIII 85	QIII 1985	QIII 85/ QII 85	QII 1985
Total manufacturing	78.2	-0.1	78.3	0.5	77.9	2.0	76.4
Durable manufacturing industries	73.2	0.3	73.0	-0.5	73.4	2.2	71.8
Wood	73.0	1.8	71.7	0.4	71.4	4.8	68.1
Furniture and fixtures	82.7	-1.5	84.0	2.2	82.2	2.7	80.0
Primary metals	76.2	0.8	75.6	-0.5	76.0	2.0	74.5
Metal fabricating	73.7	1.4	72.7	0.6	72.3	-2.2	73.9
Machinery	66.8	-2.6	68.6	-5.4	72.5	0.7	72.0
Transportation equipment	70.0	-4.1	73.0	-0.1	73.1	7.5	68.0
Electrical products	71.5	3.5	69.1	-2.7	71.0	-0.4	71.3
Non-metallic mineral products	80.6	6.8	75.5	2.2	73.9	0.5	73.5
Non-durable manufacturing industries	83.5	-0.4	83.8	1.6	82.5	1.6	81.2
Food and beverages	79.8	0.4	79.5	0.3	79.3	-0.3	79.5
Tobacco products	72.0	-1.0	72.7	-6.9	78.1	-2.5	80.1
Rubber and plastics products industries	95.0	-1.8	96.7	3.3	93.6	3.1	90.8
Leather	84.7	-1.1	85.6	1.7	84.2	5.9	79.5
Textile	99.6	2.0	97.6	1.3	96.3	4.0	92.6
Knitting mills and clothing	95.6	-4.4	100.0	6.3	94.1	6.8	88.1
Paper and allied industries	85.5	1.2	84.5	3.3	81.8	0.9	81.1
Printing, publishing and allied industries	100.0	2.4	97.7	1.9	95.9	0.7	95.2
Petroleum and coal products	69.0	-2.4	70.7	2.0	69.3	-1.1	70.1
Chemical and chemical products	62.3	-3.3	64.4	0.5	64.1	1.9	62.9
Miscellaneous manufacturing	73.2	-3.8	76.1	-2.4	78.0	2.0	76.5

Financial Institutions: Financial Statistics

First Quarter 1986

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3797-3809, 3815, 3820, 3834-3845, 3849, 3857-3859 and 3883-3886.

Property and casualty insurance companies reported underwriting losses of \$177 million in the first quarter of 1986. This compares with losses of \$470 million in the previous quarter and \$305 million in the first quarter of 1985.

Order the First Quarter 1986 issue of *Financial Institutions: Financial Statistics* (61-006, \$40/160), available towards the end of July. Contact: Robert Moreau or Garry Somers (613-990-9851), Financial Institutions Section, Industrial Organization and Finance Division.

Financial Institutions

First Quarter 1986

	First Quarter 1986	Change from previous quarter	Change from same period a year earlier	
		millions of dollars		%
Trust companies				
Mortgages	40,404	1,231	4,152	12.1
Total assets	70,720	3,435	7,889	13.1
Deposits	62,434	3,051	7,131	13.4
Mortgage companies				
Mortgages	41,683	1,040	6,927	18.9
Total assets	50,568	2,034	8,027	17.4
Deposits	33,171	2,108	6,276	21.0
Financial corporations				
Retail sales financing:				
Industrial and commercial	3,594	174	778	27.6
Consumer	4,577	-5	1,182	34.8
Wholesale financing	3,759	712	688	22.3
Personal loans	758	-58	-168	-18.1
Total assets	17,949	1,167	3,158	21.3
Finance leasing corporations				
Lease contracts outstanding	3,105	41	400	15.3
Total assets	3,603	128	542	18.5
Investment funds				
Total assets:				
Cost	14,962	1,832	4,289	43.6
Market	18,223	2,921	6,741	58.7
Total portfolio:				
Cost	14,147	1,562	3,816	40.2
Market	17,408	2,650	6,266	56.2
Property and casualty insurance companies				
Net premiums earned	2,241	-33	329	17.2
Underwriting gains	-177	293	128	...
Total assets	18,770	358	2,008	12.1

Data Availability Announcements

Sales of Natural Gas

April 1986

Sales of natural gas by main distributors amounted to 3 857 458 thousand cubic metres in April 1986. On the basis of rate structure information, sales were broken down as follows: residential sales, 1 156 777 thousand cubic metres; commercial sales, 959 811 thousand cubic metres and industrial sales, 2 135 870 thousand cubic metres.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, \$10/\$100), available the third week of July. Contact: Gary Smalldridge (613-991-3567), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Electric Lamps

May 1986

Canadian light bulb and tube manufacturers sold 17,895,974 units during May 1986, a decrease of 9.6% from the 19,788,421 units sold the previous month.

These represented \$21,994,050 worth of sales to Canadian manufacturers, up 6.0% over April 1986.

Compared to last year, the May 1986 sales of light bulbs and tubes were 12.7% lower than the \$25,202,006 reached in May 1985.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Electric Lamps (Light Bulbs and Tubes)* (43-009, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of July 7. Contact: Roger Laplante (613-990-9837), Industry Division.

Publications Released

Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products, May 1986

Catalogue number 32-022

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Footwear Statistics,

April 1986

Catalogue number 33-002

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)



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Tuesday, June 24, 1986

Major Releases

Reconciliation of Canada-United States Merchandise Trade, 1985

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- Reconciled figures show Canada posted a record surplus of \$21.5 billion in merchandise trade with the United States

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, March 1986

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- Exports of crude petroleum decreased 5.9% from the previous year while exports of natural gas fell 35.2%

Data Availability Announcement

Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder, April 1986

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Major Releases

Reconciliation of Merchandise Trade Between Canada and the United States

1985

Overview

Reconciled figures for 1985 show Canada posted a record surplus of \$21.5 billion in merchandise trade with the United States. The surplus had previously been estimated at \$18.6 billion by Canada and \$29.7 billion by the United States. Since 1976, Canada has reported a merchandise trade surplus with the United States and for the past six years it has increased annually – most notably since 1982.

The overall increase of \$1.5 billion from the 1984 surplus reflected an \$8.1 billion advance in Canadian exports to the U.S. (southward trade) that exceeded a \$6.6 billion increase in Canadian imports from the U.S. (northward trade).

Northward Trade

The major reconciliation adjustments to the northward trade flow were as follows:

- An addition of \$8,252 million to U.S. exports, representing a residual adjustment for non-receipt of U.S. export documents. (This represents 12.8% of the U.S. published value, up from the 1984 level of 11.3%. Since 1979, non-receipt levels have remained fairly stable, averaging 12.9% of the published value.)
- A definition of trade adjustment for U.S. exports of \$835 million, up from the 1984 level of \$462 million. Major changes to the adjustment in 1985 were inclusion of \$640 million in electrical machinery, created by different reporting methods for computer parts, and discontinuation of the Eastern off-shore swap oil adjustment which was \$324 million in 1984.
- A \$469 million reduction of Canadian imports of transportation equipment, caused by a revision to valuation in automotive products. This adjustment will be incorporated into the 1985 published values at the time of the December 1986 final data release.

Note to Users

Canada and United States trade statistics are reconciled to arrive at the best measure of bilateral trade between the two countries, accepted by Statistics Canada and the U.S. Bureau of the Census. The reconciliation process is conducted quarterly by commodity groupings and summed to annual totals.

In this release by Statistics Canada which coincides with that by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, the values are expressed in Canadian dollars and the trade balance is presented from the Canadian standpoint (surplus/deficit).

Southward Trade

- As in northward trade, the major reconciliation adjustment was the residual adjustment for non-receipt of Canadian export documents which totalled \$ 3,116 million. This represented 3.3% of the Canadian published value, compared with 3.3% in 1984; since 1980 non-receipt, as a percentage of Canadian published value has averaged 3.1% annually.
- An addition of \$1,337 million to U.S. imports for trade definition, mainly to account for U.S. imports of electricity from Canada.
- A reduction of \$930 million in U.S. imports to adjust for processing revisions, and Canadian re-exports of U.S. origin goods.

Methodology Change

Effective January 1985, Canada moved from measuring imports at fair market value to transaction value to reflect valuation methods based on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) Valuation Code System. In the first quarter of 1985, the Canadian import valuation was phased out, resulting in a reduction of \$102 million in 1985, down from the reduction of \$1,890 million in 1984. (see graph on next page and tables on pages 4 and 5)

Contact: Gordon Blaney (613-990-9647), Trade Information Unit or Rosemarie Schipizky (613-990-9784), Trade Measures and Analysis Section, International Trade Division.

Merchandise Trade Balance Between Canada and the U.S.

(Millions of Canadian dollars)

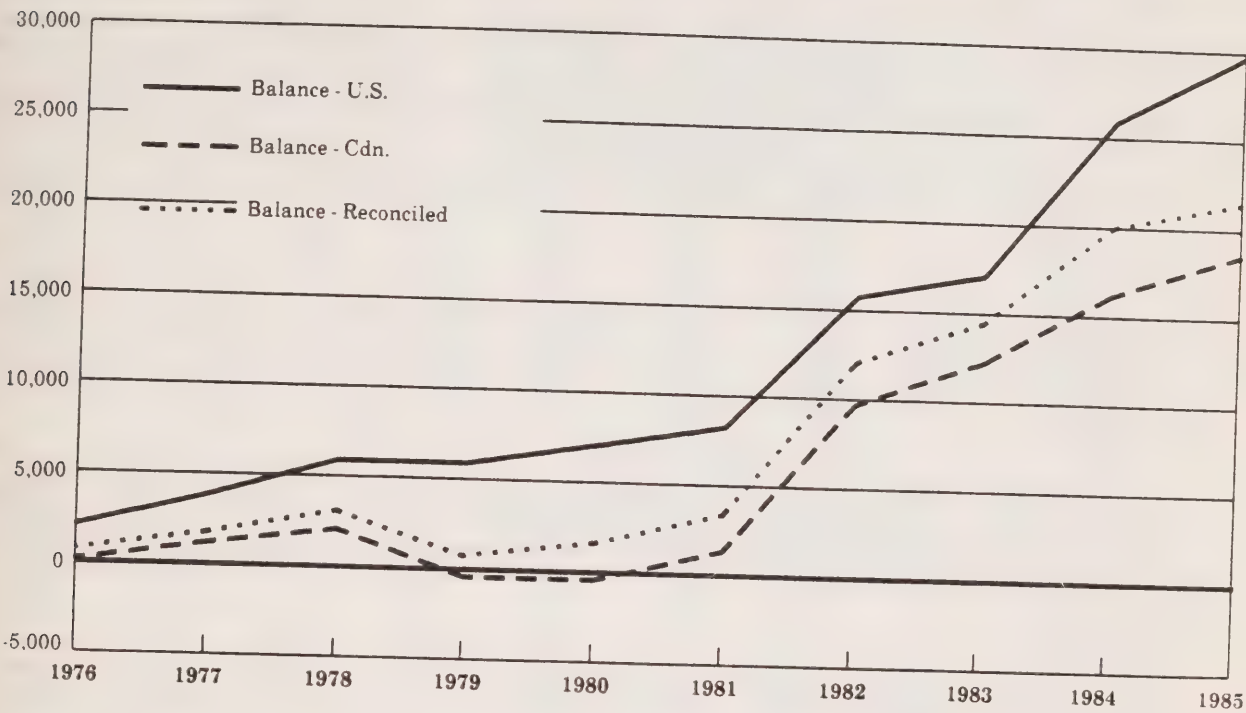


Table 1**Reconciliation Adjustments of Merchandise Trade Between Canada and the United States 1985**

	Northward Trade		Southward Trade		Northward Trade		Southward Trade	
	Canadian Imports	U.S. Exports	Canadian Exports	U.S. Imports	Canadian Imports	U.S. Exports	Canadian Exports	U.S. Imports
	(millions of Canadian dollars)				(millions of U.S. dollars)			
Published Value	74,599	64,515	93,190	94,246	54,626	47,251	68,233	69,006
Adjustments								
Trade Definition	-319	835	-142	1,337	-234	612	-104	980
Valuation	-102	-61	-70	--	-76	-45	-51	--
Transportation Charges	-192	-327	-408	-44	-141	-239	-298	-32
Errors	-13	278	--	-930	-9	204	--	-683
Timing	-274	53	3	-148	-195	39	2	-106
Revisions	-469	--	-3	--	-344	--	-2	--
Other	313	--	-646	581	230	--	-472	425
Non-receipt of Documents	--	8,252	3,116	--	--	6,036	2,282	--
Reconciled Value	73,544	73,544	95,041	95,041	53,857	53,857	69,590	69,590

-- Details may not sum to totals because of independent rounding. U.S. dollar statistics have been converted to Canadian dollars using quarterly exchange rates.

Notes to Table 1:**Published Totals:**

The 1985 data for the U.S. reflect all revisions as shown in the December 1985 issue of the "FT990 Highlights of U.S. Export and Import Trade". The Canadian figures for 1985 reflect the totals as published at the end of the year and include trade with Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Trade Definition:

Adjustments to harmonize definitions of "merchandise trade transactions".

Valuation:

Generally, adjustment of customs values to transactions values. Beginning in January 1985, Canada moved from measuring imports at fair market value to transaction value.

Transportation:

Removal of transportation charges included in statistics.

Errors:

Net adjustment for processing or respondent errors discovered in reconciliation of transaction records.

Timing:

Adjustment to published data to reflect the physical movement of goods.

Revisions:

Adjustment for coding errors discovered too late for inclusion in "published values". This figure will be added to the published value when the International Trade Division revises the 1985 data.

Other:

In the case of Canada, mainly the addition of shipments of Central or South American origin to Canada from the United States but credited to the country of origin in Canadian import statistics, and a deduction of tooling charges. In the case of the United States, mainly the addition of re-exports from Canada of goods of third-country origin, which are credited to the country of origin in United States import statistics, and a deduction of pricing charges from Canadian export statistics.

Non-receipt of Documents:

Provides for inclusion of shipments for which statistical documents were not received. This adjustment is generally set equal to the residual difference after all other adjustments have been made and may include other unidentified adjustments.

Table 2
Reconciliation of Merchandise Trade Between Canada and the United States¹
1976-1985

	Southward Trade			Northward Trade			Trade Balance		
	Canadian Exports	U.S. Imports	Reconciled	Canadian Imports	U.S. Exports	Reconciled	Canada	U.S.	Reconciled
(billions of Canadian dollars)									
1976	25.7	25.9	25.9	25.6	23.9	25.1	0.2	2.0	0.7
1977	30.8	31.3	31.2	29.6	27.4	29.3	1.2	3.9	1.8
1978	37.1	38.2	37.7	35.0	32.3	34.7	2.1	5.9	3.1
1979	44.5	44.5	45.0	45.3	38.9	44.5	-0.4	5.8	0.7
1980	48.3	48.5	49.3	48.4	41.4	47.7	-0.4	7.1	1.6
1981	55.8	55.6	56.7	54.1	47.5	53.6	1.4	8.2	3.4
1982	57.8	57.3	59.0	48.0	41.6	47.1	9.8	15.7	12.1
1983	66.5	64.3	67.6	54.3	47.2	53.1	12.2	17.1	14.4
1984	85.2	86.1	86.9	69.1	60.2	66.9	16.1	25.9	20.0
1985	93.2	94.2	95.0	74.6	64.5	73.5	18.6	29.7	21.5
(billions of U.S. dollars)									
1976	25.9	26.2 ²	26.2	25.9	24.1	25.5	0.0	2.1	0.7
1977	29.0	29.4	29.3	27.8	25.7	27.6	1.2	3.6	1.6
1978	32.6	33.5	33.1	30.7	28.4	30.3	1.9	5.2	2.7
1979	38.0	38.0	38.5	38.7	33.1	37.9	-0.6	5.0	0.6
1980	41.2	41.5	42.0	41.4	35.4	40.7	-0.2	6.1	1.4
1981	46.4	46.4	47.4	45.2	39.6	44.6	1.2	6.9	2.8
1982	46.8	46.5	47.8	38.9	33.7	38.1	7.9	12.8	9.7
1983	53.9	52.1	54.8	44.0	38.2	43.1	9.9	13.9	11.7
1984	65.8	66.5	67.1	53.4	46.5	51.7	12.4	20.0	15.4
1985	68.2	69.0	69.6	54.6	47.3	53.9	13.6	21.7	15.7

¹ The reconciliation historical data are not revised.

² U.S. imports are measured on a customs basis, except between 1976 and 1981 inclusive where imports were measured on a free alongside ship (f.a.s.) basis.

Note: Each figure is rounded independently.

U.S. dollar statistics have been converted to Canadian dollars using quarterly exchange rates.

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production

March 1986

Preliminary figures show production of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons for March 1986 decreased 9.4% from the previous year to 7 211.6 thousand cubic metres.

Exports decreased 5.9% from March 1985 to 2 604.1 thousand cubic metres while imports increased 46.8% to 1 283.2 thousand cubic metres.

Canadian refinery receipts of crude oil decreased 5.1% from a year earlier to 5 797.3 thousand cubic metres.

Preliminary figures show net withdrawals of natural gas in March 1986 decreased 9.9% from the previous year, totalling 8 062.7 million cubic metres. Marketable production of

natural gas after treatment at processing plants amounted to 6 404.4 million cubic metres, down 10.8% from a year earlier, while net withdrawals of natural gas liquids (propane, butanes and ethane) were 1 111.5 thousand cubic metres, down 16.8%.

Exports of natural gas totalled 1 595.3 million cubic metres, down 35.2% from March 1985, while sales in Canada decreased 0.4% to 5 337.4 million cubic metres.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 127 and 128.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, \$8/\$80), to be released the second week of July. Contact: G. O'Connor (613-991-3562), Industry Division.

Data Availability Announcement

Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder

April 1986

Production of process cheese in April 1986 was 5 071 695 kilograms, down 18.8% from March and down 12.7% from April 1985.

Total production of instant skim milk powder during the latest month reached 590 487 kilograms, a 23.1% increase over the previous month and an increase of 13.5% from a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 188 (series 1.10).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Production and Inventories of Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder* (32-024, \$4/\$40), to be released the first week of July. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.



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Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, March 1986
Catalogue number 35-002
(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Coal and Coke Statistics, March 1986 Catalogue number 45-002
(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Refined Petroleum Products, March 1986
Catalogue number 45-004
(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products, April 1986
Catalogue number 62-003
(Canada: \$6/\$60; Other Countries: \$7/\$70)

Industry Price Indexes, April 1986
Catalogue number 62-011
(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

Housing Starts and Completions, April 1986
Catalogue number 64-002
(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

Summary of Canadian International Trade, April 1986 Catalogue number 65-001
(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries, January-March 1986
Catalogue number 66-001
(Canada: \$35/\$140; Other Countries: \$36.50/\$146)

Employment, Earnings and Hours, March 1986 Catalogue number 72-002
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Note to Users

The results of the major statistical revision of the Income and Expenditure Accounts, covering the period from 1961 to the first quarter of 1986, will be released the week of July 14th.

Major Releases

Unemployment Insurance Statistics April 1986

Unemployment insurance benefits paid in April 1986 amounted to \$1,087 million¹, up 18.0% from a month earlier and up 5.3% from April 1985. Payments for the first four months of 1986 totalled \$4,130 million, down 1.1% from the same period a year earlier.

A total of 267,000 claims for unemployment insurance benefits were received in April, an advance of 24.4% from March 1986 and up 8.8% from April 1985. Since the start of 1986, there have been 1,077,000 claims received, down 2.8% from the same period in 1985.

For the week ending April 19, 1986, the number of beneficiaries¹ totalled 1,194,000 - down 5.1% from the preceding month and down 8.7% from April 1985.

Adjusted for seasonal variation, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits decreased 1.3% between March and April 1986 to 939,000. This continues the downward trend noted since November 1984 when the number of beneficiaries was estimated at 1,077,000.
(see table on page 3)

¹ The count of beneficiaries cannot be directly related to the benefit payments made during any one month. Whereas the latter figure covers all disbursements during the month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons who qualified for benefits during a specific week each month, regardless of when payment was received. The number of days available during a month to process claims and to pay benefits influences the levels and trends of these data series. The beneficiaries count is not affected since it relates to a single week. It is common to observe different trends between the beneficiaries statistics and the other data series if month-over-month comparisons are made.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 26 (series 1.6) and 5700-5717.

Data for the months of February, March and April 1986 will be published in the April 1986 issue of *Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001, \$12/\$120), available at the beginning of July. Contact: H. Stiebert or J.-P. Maynard (613-990-9900), Labour Division.

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	April 1986	March 1986	February 1986	April 1985	% change from	
					March 1986	April 1985
Benefits¹						
Amount paid (\$'000)	1,086,642	920,575	956,430	1,031,939	18.0	5.3
Weeks of benefit ('000)	6,008	5,088	5,291	6,014	18.1	-0.1
Average weekly benefit (\$)	181.07	181.31	181.12	171.98	-0.1	5.3
Claims received ('000)	267	214	216	245	24.4	8.8
Beneficiaries² ('000)						
Total	1,194 ^p	1,258 ^p	1,281 ^r	1,308 ^r	-5.1	-8.7
Regular benefits	1,063 ^p	1,125 ^p	1,141 ^r	1,160 ^r	-5.5	-8.4
Regular benefits – Seasonally adjusted	939 ^p	951 ^p	953 ^r	1,036 ^r	-1.3	
January to April					% change	
	1986		1985		1986/1985	
Benefits¹						
Amount paid (\$'000)	4,129,866		4,175,360			-1.1
Weeks of benefit ('000)	22,841		24,360			-6.2
Average weekly benefit (\$)	181.08		171.71			5.5
Claims received ('000)	1,077		1,108			-2.8
Beneficiaries – Year-to-date average² ('000)	1,254 ^p		1,372 ^r			-8.6

¹ Amount paid and weeks of benefit include work sharing and job creation. However, average weekly benefit excludes these amounts in order to maintain comparability with previous data.

² The beneficiaries include all claimants who receive benefits through the computer pay system. Excluded are year-round fishermen, a few seasonal fishermen and a small number of work sharing and job creation claimants who are paid through the manual pay system.

^p Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

CPI for Low-income Senior Citizens

December 1985

With a base of March 1982 = 100, the consumer price index for low income senior citizens was just slightly below (by 0.4%) the official index as of December 1985.

Since 1978, Statistics Canada has been publishing consumer price indexes for a special group in the population: low-income families and unattached individuals. Some of the main considerations in preparing this new index – the CPI for Low-income Senior Citizens – included:

- The main purpose of the index was to determine the extent to which this special group, low-income senior citizens, was affected by inflation compared to the population as a whole;
- The index was calculated using the same methodology as the official CPI, but with different relative weighting, to reflect the low-income senior citizens' specific expenditure pattern;
- Senior citizens were classified as low-income if they spent 20% more of their income on food, shelter and clothing than

the average Canadian family. (In 1984, of all senior citizens, about 50% of unattached individuals and 11% of families reported income below the low-income cut offs.)

The study "A CPI for Low-income Senior Citizens" will be published as a supplement to the January-March 1986 issue of *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes*. A conclusion of the study, which will be a useful analytical resource for those involved in the indexation of payments to special groups such as old age pensioners, is that special-group indexes do not differ substantially from the official all-items index. A finding of the study was that nearly all of the income of low-income senior citizens is directly or indirectly adjusted for inflation. (In urban centres with 30,000 or more inhabitants, the average income before taxes for low income senior citizens in 1982 was \$6,922.20, compared to \$16,150.50 for all senior citizens.)

Order the January-March 1986 issue of *Consumer Prices and Price Indexes* (62-010, \$15/\$60), scheduled for release July 10. Contact: the Prices Division (613-990-9606), or for more information contact: K. Hannett or H. Scobie (613-993-4776/7), Prices Division.

Department Store Sales and Stocks April 1986

Seasonally Adjusted Data

Department store sales totalled \$1,060 million (not adjusted for price change) in April 1986, a marginal decrease of 0.2% from the previous month's revised total of \$1,062 million. The April decline follows a significant 2.4% increase recorded in March 1986. The strong increase in March and the subsequent marginal decline in April may have been partly due to the fact that, for the first time in eight years, Easter occurred in March.

The most important contributing factor in the April decline was a decrease of 15.1% (\$11 million) in the sales of food and kindred products. Partly offsetting the impact of that decline were sales increases of 25.6% (\$3 million) for china and glassware and 6.4% (\$4 million) for women's and misses' sports-wear.

Seasonally adjusted department store stocks (at selling value) totalled \$4,276 million at the end of April, up 1.3% from the March 1986 revised value of \$4,222 million. This latest increase followed a 2.6% rise in March and increases of over 4.0% registered in each of the first two months of 1986.

The inventories to sales ratio stood at 4.03:1 in April 1986, up marginally from the average ratio of 3.94:1 observed in the first three months of the year, but significantly higher than ratios recorded in 1985 which averaged 3.49:1.

Unadjusted Data

Department stores in Canada reported sales totalling \$977 million in April 1986, up 7.7% over the April 1985 level of \$907 million. This was the tenth consecutive month during which, on a year-over-year basis, department store sales have increased. Cumulative department store sales for the first four months of 1986 totalled \$3,335 million, up 7.8% over the corresponding period in 1985.

With the exception of Prince Edward Island, which recorded a decrease of 1.6% from the corresponding month a year earlier, all provinces reported higher sales. Increases ranged from 9.9% in both Ontario and British Columbia to 1.0% in Saskatchewan. Sales also rose in all 10 metropolitan areas surveyed.

Sales by major department stores in April 1986 reached \$592 million, while junior department stores had sales of \$385 million, both registering an increase of 7.7% over the same period the previous year.

Unadjusted department store stocks at month-end totalled \$4,506 million, up 26.3% from April 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 112.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, \$13/\$130), available the third week of July. Contact: Lina Di Piéto (613-991-3551) or Maurice Massaad (613-990-9682), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Employment, Earnings and Hours

April 1986 (data not seasonally adjusted)

Preliminary data on employment, payrolls and hours for April 1986 showed an estimated 9,014.5 thousand employees at the Canada industrial aggregate¹ level, an increase of 89.7 thousand (1.0%) from March 1986. Most industries showed little or no change except mines, quarries and oil wells which declined from the previous month. The number of employees increased in Quebec and decreased in Alberta while the remaining provinces and territories remained unchanged.

Average weekly earnings at the Canada industrial aggregate level remained virtually unchanged at \$428.76 in April from \$428.39 in March. Increases were registered in construction and in finance, insurance and real estate. There was little change in the remaining

industries except forestry which decreased. Most provinces and territories showed little change in earnings with the exception of Alberta which decreased slightly. (see tables on pages 7 and 8)

¹ The industrial aggregate is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture; fishing and trapping; religious organizations; private households and military personnel.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 8003-9000 and 9584-9638.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, \$35/\$350), available at the end of July. Contact: R. Arsenault (613-990-9900), Labour Division.

Employment, Earnings and Hours, April 1986 (data not seasonally adjusted)

Industry Group - Canada (1970 SIC)	All employees					
	Number			Average weekly earnings		
	Apr. 1986 ^p	Mar. 1986 ^r	Feb. 1986 ^r	Apr. 1986 ^p	Mar. 1986 ^r	Feb. 1986 ^r
	thousands			dollars		
Forestry	39.3	42.6	46.3	601.93	609.44	592.12
Mines, quarries and oil wells	144.9	153.7	154.9	715.79	715.90	719.59
Manufacturing	1,724.0	1,705.6	1,703.5	503.40	503.48	504.17
Durables	834.9	828.3	826.2	536.08	534.78	537.87
Non-durables	889.1	877.3	877.4	472.72	473.93	472.43
Construction	355.4	333.3	330.9	512.97	505.48	512.24
Building	301.1	283.8	282.2	492.86	485.15	493.42
Industrial and heavy	54.2	49.6	48.8	624.60	621.87	621.15
Goods-producing industries	2,263.7	2,235.2	2,235.7	520.22	520.40	522.12
Transportation, communication and other utilities	798.4	798.8	788.0	555.44	552.17	552.84
Transportation	451.6	452.6	442.8	512.29	507.13	506.80
Storage	13.0	12.4	12.3	555.06	555.40	552.25
Communication	220.1	220.3	219.6	581.42	582.02	585.17
Electric power, gas and water utilities	113.6	113.5	113.3	676.62	673.48	670.19
Trade	1,610.2	1,575.8	1,581.5	314.95	314.64	311.12
Wholesale	472.8	469.3	467.8	439.67	434.65	436.12
Retail	1,137.4	1,106.6	1,113.7	263.11	263.75	258.61
Finance, insurance and real estate	565.2	562.7	560.0	451.17	446.56	442.79
Community, business and personal services	3,125.7	3,102.6	3,073.0	361.40	361.16	362.61
Public administration	651.4	649.8	651.3	540.74	540.89	540.40
Service-producing industries	6,750.8	6,689.6	6,653.8	398.09	397.65	397.05
Industrial aggregate	9,014.5	8,924.8	8,889.6	428.76	428.39	428.50
Industrial aggregate - Provinces						
Newfoundland	119.0	118.5	121.7	405.26	407.88	406.03
Prince Edward Island	29.0	28.1	27.8	349.10	352.06	349.49
Nova Scotia	249.2	248.1	245.5	389.35	387.00	385.50
New Brunswick	185.3	180.0	180.4	397.37	401.16	401.30
Quebec	2,246.7	2,203.1	2,188.2	415.57	415.37	417.60
Ontario	3,711.9	3,687.6	3,677.7	438.28	436.24	435.64
Manitoba	358.0	354.1	351.6	397.94	396.30	394.06
Saskatchewan	276.1	275.1	272.8	398.54	397.97	394.09
Alberta	855.7	862.5	865.1	444.31	448.63	450.23
British Columbia	957.7	942.0	933.3	447.70	448.30	447.67
Yukon	8.0	7.9	7.8	487.52	484.77	467.92
Northwest Territories	17.8	17.9	17.7	567.02	571.87	570.99
Canada	9,014.5	8,924.8	8,889.6	428.76	428.39	428.50

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Employment, Earnings and Hours - Concluded

April 1986

(data not seasonally adjusted)

Industry Group - Canada (1970 SIC)	Employees Paid by the Hour					
	Average weekly hours			Average hourly earnings		
	Apr. 1986 ^p	Mar. 1986 ^r	Feb. 1986 ^r	Apr. 1986 ^p	Mar. 1986 ^r	Feb. 1986 ^r
	number			dollars		
Forestry	39.8	40.3	37.6	17.10	16.90	16.67
Mines, quarries and oil wells	39.4	39.7	39.8	15.93	15.93	15.99
Manufacturing	39.1	39.0	39.1	11.86	11.90	11.91
Durables	40.4	40.2	40.5	12.41	12.44	12.47
Non-durables	37.7	37.6	37.7	11.23	11.27	11.26
Construction	37.5	36.6	36.7	14.32	14.42	14.62
Building	36.9	36.2	36.3	14.07	14.13	14.41
Industrial and heavy	40.4	39.1	39.1	15.54	15.94	15.78
Goods-producing industries	38.8	38.6	38.8	12.52	12.57	12.60
Transportation, communication and other utilities	38.1	38.0	37.8	13.93	13.83	13.88
Transportation	37.8	37.8	37.5	13.48	13.37	13.42
Storage	37.3	37.1	36.9	14.07	13.91	13.95
Communication	36.6	36.6	36.7	14.30	14.28	14.24
Electric power, gas and water utilities	40.4	40.2	40.1	15.52	15.41	15.48
Trade	28.4	28.4	27.9	8.20	8.21	8.16
Wholesale	36.4	35.9	36.2	9.69	9.73	9.67
Retail	26.8	26.9	26.2	7.78	7.79	7.74
Finance, insurance and real estate	...	...	...	...	...	...
Community, business and personal services	26.9	26.9	26.6	9.18	9.23	9.25
Public administration	...	...	...	...	...	...
Service-producing industries	28.5	28.6	28.2	9.51	9.53	9.53
Industrial aggregate	32.1	32.1	31.9	10.77	10.81	10.83
Industrial aggregate - Provinces						
Newfoundland	33.9	34.4	34.3	9.50	9.56	9.49
Prince Edward Island	30.8	31.0	30.5	7.61	7.68	7.65
Nova Scotia	33.0	32.9	32.5	9.42	9.32	9.32
New Brunswick	33.8	33.5	33.3	9.81	9.98	9.96
Quebec	32.8	32.6	32.8	10.43	10.46	10.49
Ontario	32.9	32.8	32.6	10.75	10.75	10.77
Manitoba	31.5	31.4	30.9	9.95	9.95	9.93
Saskatchewan	28.7	28.7	28.2	10.39	10.39	10.32
Alberta	30.0	30.5	30.3	10.76	10.95	11.14
British Columbia	29.9	30.0	29.4	12.89	12.95	12.90
Yukon	31.6	30.5	29.7	11.65	11.67	11.54
Northwest Territories	32.6	33.2	32.5	13.58	13.65	13.76
Canada	32.1	32.1	31.9	10.77	10.81	10.83

^p Preliminary estimates.

^r Revised estimates.

... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

Data Availability Announcement

Steel Ingots

Week Ending June 21, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending June 21, 1986 totalled 284 904 tonnes, an increase of 2.5% from the preceding week's total of 277 899 tonnes but down 1.0% from the year-earlier level of 287 809 tonnes.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2650-2656.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release July 24. Contact: Allister B. Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or T. Depuis (613-991-3860) Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Ottawa.

Stocks of Frozen Meat

June 2, 1986

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of June amounted to 29 095 tonnes as compared with 30 243 tonnes in May 1986 and 37 342 tonnes a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 87 and 9517-9525.

Order the June issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release July 9. Contact: P.L. Beerstecher (613-990-8714), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Family Expenditure in Canada - Selected Cities

1984

A series of 20 tables on microfiche showing detailed family expenditures in 1984 is now available. These tables can also be provided on other media by request. Family expenditure data is cross-classified by a wide variety of family characteristics as well as by each of the 17 major cities covered.

Contact: the Statistics Canada reference centres or Tom Greenberg (613-990-9781), Family Expenditure Surveys Section, Household Surveys Division.

Exports of Major Grains

May 1986

Export clearances of the major grains during May 1986 were as follows (in thousand tonnes):

• Total wheat,	1 259.8;
• Oats,	4.8;
• Barley,	449.7;
• Rye,	19.1;
• Flaxseed,	77.8;
• Canola (rapeseed),	151.3.

Railway Transport in Canada - Commodity Statistics

January-October 1985

Preliminary railway freight traffic tonnage by province for the months of January to October 1985 are available.

Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Unit, Transportation Division.

Publications Released

Pulpwood and Wood Residue

Statistics, April 1986

Catalogue number 25-001

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Canned and Frozen Fruits

and Vegetables, February 1986

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Railway Carloadings, 10-day

Period Ending May 31, 1986

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Period Ending June 7, 1986

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Telephone Statistics, March 1986

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Culture Communiqué, Vol. 9, No. 3:

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Major Release

Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments

First Quarter 1986

Overview

Current account transactions, on a seasonally adjusted basis, produced the largest quarterly deficit on record as a result of a sharp decline in the merchandise trade surplus and an increase in the deficit on the investment income account. This decline in the merchandise trade surplus to the lowest level since the fourth quarter of 1981, resulted from a reduction in exports coupled with a rise in imports.

Transactions in the capital account, which are not seasonally adjusted, gave rise to a sizeable net inflow. This was mainly accounted for by large sales of new issues of bonds abroad. Substantial net inflows also were recorded from foreign direct investment in Canada and from trading in Canadian stocks. These inflows were partly offset by a large net outflow arising from an increase in short-term investments abroad by residents.

Underlying these movements, the Canadian dollar touched a historical low in early February.

Data users should note that some balance of payment items might have been affected by the fact that Easter occurred in March this year, for the first time since 1978.

Current Account, Seasonally Adjusted

The main quarterly features were:

- A current account deficit of \$2.9 billion compared to \$912 million in the previous quarter. This was due to a sharp decline (\$1.6 billion) in the merchandise trade surplus to \$2.4 billion coupled with an increase (\$411 million) in the deficit on non-merchandise transactions to \$5.3 billion.
- A decrease of 3% to \$30.2 billion in merchandise exports. This was the first significant decrease since the fourth

quarter of 1982 and was largely attributable to crude petroleum and automobiles. There was a notable drop in crude petroleum prices. Decreases were also recorded in petroleum and coal products, wheat and natural gas. Increases were recorded in forest products and in metal in ores.

- An increase of 2% in merchandise imports to \$27.8 billion. Increases were recorded in automobiles, precious metals and in petroleum and coal products. The largest declines were in trucks and auto parts.
- Among non-merchandise transactions, an increase of \$545 million in the deficit on the investment income account to \$4.6 billion, following large dividend payments by some companies in the petroleum industry.
- In international travel, a deficit of \$397 million, the lowest quarterly deficit since the fourth quarter of 1982. This deficit largely resulted from travel with countries other than the United States; the deficit with the United States has been declining since the fourth quarter of 1984.

Capital Account, Not Seasonally Adjusted

The main quarterly features were:

- A net capital inflow of \$4.5 billion, comprised of a net inflow of \$9.6 billion from net borrowings from non-residents, partially offset by a net outflow of \$5.1 billion from an increase in Canadian claims abroad.
- A net inflow of \$5.6 billion from transactions in Canadian bonds, largely accounted for by sales of new issues abroad. Trading in the secondary bond market remained high (a record \$15 billion of turnover activity), giving rise to a net inflow of \$934 million, mainly from the United States and Japan. A further incentive to invest in Canada developed as Canadian yields did not decline as much as in the United States.

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- A net inflow of \$1.1 billion from foreign direct investment, the largest net quarterly inflow on record. About one half of this total resulted from the acquisition by non-residents of existing interests in Canada, mostly in the manufacturing industry.
- Among Canadian claims on non-residents, residents increased their short-term investments in the United States and, to a lesser extent, in the United Kingdom, giving rise to a net outflow of \$4.1 billion.
- A decline of \$85 million in official international reserve assets. This small increase occurred in spite of the monetary authorities borrowing \$3.0 billion (\$2.0 billion as new issues of bonds sold abroad) in foreign currencies to bolster reserve assets.
- A statistical discrepancy (the balancing item between the recorded estimates of current and capital accounts) equivalent to a net credit of \$315 million.
- A decline in the external value of the Canadian dollar, which touched a historical low of 69.13 U.S. cents in early February. The dollar strengthened thereafter, closing the quarter at 71.64 U.S. cents, slightly higher than the level at the end of 1985. The dollar depreciated against major overseas currencies.

Canadian Balance of International Payments - Summary

(\$ millions)

	1985				1986	1984	1985
	I	II	III	IV	I		
Seasonally adjusted							
Current account balances							
Merchandise	5,487	4,479	3,494	4,014	2,444	20,726	17,475
Non-merchandise:							
Services	-1,020	-1,117	-1,055	-1,106	-1,114	-4,384	-4,298
Investment income	-3,698	-3,172	-3,665	-4,063	-4,608	-13,794	-14,598
Transfers	253	251	88	243	385	813	836
Total non-merchandise	-4,465	-4,037	-4,631	-4,926	-5,337	-17,364	-18,060
Total current account	1,022	442	-1,137	-912	-2,893	3,362	-585
Not seasonally adjusted							
Current account balance	-482	535	-548	-90	-4,789	3,362	-585
Capital account							
Canadian claims on non-residents, net flows							
Direct investment	-1,577	-1,204	-1,231	-1,097	-1,135	-3,800	-5,108
Portfolio securities	-216	24	58	-859	118	-1,891	-992
Other	-3,416	840	-383	1,657	-4,083	-6,510	-1,302
Total Canadian claims, net flow	-5,209	-339	-1,555	-299	-5,100	-12,202	-7,403
Canadian liabilities to non-residents, net flows							
Direct investment	-638	225	-2,491	-18	1,131	2,150	-2,921
Portfolio securities	2,577	3,517	3,951	3,092	6,608	7,837	13,138
Other	5,927	-2,760	196	-93	1,835	6,058	3,270
Total Canadian liabilities, net flow	7,867	982	1,656	2,981	9,574	16,044	13,486
Total net capital flow	2,657	643	101	2,682	4,474	3,843	6,083
Statistical discrepancy	-2,176	-1,178	447	-2,592	315	-7,204	-5,499

Historical Revisions

Revisions to the current account have been made from 1961, as part of the historical revisions of the National Accounts. The revised data are now available on CANSIM (quarterly and annually, for six geographical areas): matrices 147, 279-281, 1363, 1364 and 2325-2328.

Annual data for all countries and the United States will be published in the *Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, First Quarter 1986* (67-001, \$ 25/\$100).

Modifications to Balance of Payments Presentation

The classification of the accounts has been reformed to facilitate the analysis. In addition, under the previous classification system it became increasingly difficult to portray the economic realities underlying international financial transactions. The major changes consist in identifying "investment income" independently of "services" in the current account, in rearranging the capital account under an "asset and liability" format and in integrating "net official monetary movements" within the capital account.

To provide users with adequate lead time to adapt to the new series, CANSIM will carry both the new and previous formats, from 1961 for the current account and from 1970 for the capital account, until the fourth quarter 1986 publication.

Contact: Lucie Laliberté (613-990-9050), Balance of Payments, International and Financial Economics Division.

Canada's International Trade in Services (Excluding Investment Income) 1969-1984

The above special report provides an analysis of important trends in Canada's international trade in services, particularly business services.

The analytical text and 22 tables draw on data collected for six years in the period 1969 to 1984. Business services are covered extensively, with detailed information available for the first time for 1983 and 1984 (including industrial and regional breakdowns).

Data are given for selected foreign geographical areas and for 16 categories of service transactions (e.g. computer services). The data also show whether or not transactions were carried out with affiliates abroad (e.g. Canadian subsidiaries with their foreign head offices).

Order *Canada's International Trade in Services, 1969-1984* (67-510, \$15), available June 27. Contact: Lucie Laliberté (613-990-9050), Balance of Payments, International and Financial Economics Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Census Education Information: An Inventory

1981 Census

This report provides the general user a means of identifying, locating and interpreting the available published 1981 Census data on educational attainment and school attendance. In addition to providing a complete inventory of all published and tape data on education, the report discusses issues such as historical comparability and various indicators that can be applied to the raw census data.

Order *Census Education Information: An Inventory* (99-954E, \$15), available today. Contact: George Mori (613-991-2546), Housing, Family and Social Statistics Division.

Gas Utilities

March 1986

Sales of natural gas in Canada amounted to 5 334 million cubic metres in March 1986, a decrease of 0.4% from 5 353 million cubic metres a year earlier.

Reported exports to the United States were 1 595 million cubic metres during March 1986, a decrease of 35.2% from 2 460 million cubic metres a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 182 and 1052-1055.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, \$10/\$100), available early in July. Contact: Gary Smalldridge (613-991-3567), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Mineral Wool

May 1986

Manufacturers shipped 5 476 121 square metres of mineral wool (all R factors) in batts in May 1986, down 22.8% from the 7 091 320 square metres shipped a year earlier but up 46.6% from the 3 734 278 square metres shipped in April.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 40 and 122 (series 32 and 33).

Order the May 1986 issue of *Mineral Wool including Fibrous Glass Insulation* (44-004, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of July 7. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.

Deliveries of Major Grains

May 1986

Producer deliveries of major grains by Prairie farmers during May 1986, were as follows (in thousand tonnes):

• Wheat (excluding durum),	930.9;
• Durum wheat,	45.3;
• Total wheat,	976.2;
• Oats,	25.5;
• Barley,	466.7;
• Rye,	14.5;
• Flaxseed,	31.8;
• Canola (rapeseed)	132.4.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 976-981.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release in mid-July. Contact: Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or Anthony Dupuis (613-991-3860), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Ottawa.

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**Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian
Balance of International Payments,**

First Quarter 1986

Catalogue number 67-001P

(Canada: \$8/\$32; Other Countries: \$9/\$36)

Census Education Information:

an Inventory, by George Mori,

Marc Lalonde, Michael Crew

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A WEEKLY REVIEW

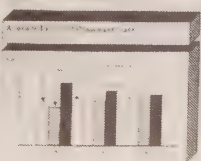
OVERVIEW

- Foreign Car Sales Continue to Strengthen
In April, sales of foreign cars in Canada reached a 10-year high, up 20.7% higher than a year earlier.
- Reduced Spending on Capital Assets
The value of 1985's new investment spending on capital assets fell 10.1% from the previous year.
- 1985 General Social Survey
Results show that the average Canadian family has a net worth of \$10,000.
- Leading Indicator Posts Tenth Consecutive Increase
The composite leading indicator for the Canadian economy rose 0.5% in May.
- Consumer Price Index Up 0.3%
The index for all urban consumers rose 0.3% in May.
- Help-wanted Index Down in May
The index for help-wanted positions fell 0.1% in May.

Foreign Car Sales Continue to Strengthen

Foreign car sales in Canada reached a 10-year high in April, up 20.7% from a year earlier. The total value of sales was \$1.1 billion, up from \$910 million in April 1985.

The increase in sales was due to a combination of factors, including a decline in the number of cars imported from the United States and a rise in the number of cars imported from Japan.



New Infomat Launched Today

The new *Infomat* – a weekly review of the most important statistics of the week – will be invaluable for business planners, policy makers and members of the media who take an interest in the Canadian economy.

Articles cite the most recent economic and social data available, describe current trends and point out significant changes. Regular features include a complete list of publications released by Statistics Canada during the reference week, a table of key economic indicators and a list of upcoming data releases. The text is concise, easy-to-read and is complemented by tables and charts.

Infomat (11-002E – weekly, \$2/\$100), is available from Publication Sales and Services (613-993-7276).

Major Releases

Gross Domestic Product

(seasonally adjusted data)
April 1986

Monthly Overview

Preliminary estimates show that Gross Domestic Product in 1971 prices advanced by 1.5% in April 1986 following a decrease of 1.1% in March, an increase of 0.5% in February and no change in January. As a result of these movements, GDP for April was 0.9% above December 1985.

Output of the goods-producing industries increased 1.9% in April, but this followed a drop of 2.6% in March. As a result April was only slightly above December 1985, even though output of the goods-producing industries increased in three of the first four months of 1986.

Service-producing industries recorded an increase of 1.3% in April, following a decrease of 0.3% in March. In April, output for service-producing industries was 1.4% above December 1985.

Users should note that output levels for March and April may have been affected by the Easter holidays occurring in March for the first time in eight years.

Goods-producing Industries

An increase of 3.7% in manufacturing output was responsible for most of the advance in the goods-producing industries in April. Agriculture, forestry, fishing and trapping, mining and construction all registered decreases in output and all were below the December 1985 level.

The large increase in manufacturing output in April followed a 3.2% decrease in March, and left production levels 0.4% above February. Output gains were widespread in manufacturing, with some notable increases for motor vehicle parts and accessories, motor vehicles, textiles, wood products, paper products, miscellaneous machinery, iron and steel mills, metal stamping, and electrical industrial equipment.

Mining output decreased for the third consecutive month in April. A major factor in the decline and in the weakness in mining during the preceding two months was a cutback

in oil and gas exploration activities as oil prices fell. Metal mining output also dropped in February, March and April. Output of iron mining also fell during the three months and was down 3.1% from the same month in 1985 and only 50% of 1971 levels. Other metal mining (mainly nickel and copper) increased in April but after two consecutive months of decline. Output in April was 8.6% above April 1985 but still about 13% below 1971 levels.

The decrease in construction output was entirely accounted for by a fall of almost 5% in residential construction activity, which has declined for five consecutive months.

Service-producing industries

Increased output of wholesale and retail trade, security brokers and dealers and several transportation industries accounted for most of the April increase in service-producing industries.

Wholesale trade is subject to large monthly swings in output and the increase of almost 5% in April raised output above December for the first time in 1986. Wholesalers of industrial and electrical machinery and equipment, and motor vehicles and accessories accounted for most of the growth in wholesale trade. Retail trade increased 2.2% in April but this followed an advance of only 0.2% from December 1985 to March 1986. Increased output of food stores, new motor vehicle dealers, and service stations and garages contributed most to the April gain in retail trade.

Security dealers and brokers recorded a sixth consecutive monthly increase in April due to increased stock market activity. Increased output in water, rail and truck transport accounted for most of the growth in the transportation industry.
(see tables on page 3)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1130 and 1131.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Gross Domestic Product by Industry* (61-005, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release at the end of July. Contact: Ron Kennedy (613-991-3673 or 991-3666), Industry Measures and Analysis Division.

Gross Domestic Product in Constant (1971) Prices

(Seasonally Adjusted at Annual Rates)
(\$ millions)

1970 SIC		April 1985	January 1986	February 1986	March 1986	April 1986
1-11	Gross Domestic Product	128,470.1	133,345.4	134,065.4	132,566.8	134,598.3
1	Agriculture	3,092.0	3,216.0	3,197.1	3,207.9	3,170.1
2	Forestry	861.0	881.7	919.9	838.9	791.3
3	Fishing and trapping	176.4	180.5	181.9	188.8	182.3
4	Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3,480.0	3,676.8	3,560.6	3,415.3	3,401.0
5	Manufacturing industries	27,200.0	28,445.9	28,859.0	27,929.6	28,961.2
6	Construction industry	6,320.7	6,704.1	6,704.0	6,684.4	6,643.4
7	Transportation, communi- cation and other utilities	18,554.0	19,338.5	19,513.3	19,214.7	19,397.6
8	Trade	16,943.1	18,006.5	18,223.4	18,162.8	18,773.2
9	Finance, insurance and real estate	17,624.5	18,113.3	18,124.6	18,103.9	18,329.2
10	Community, business and personal service industries	25,556.9	26,010.4	25,992.4	26,081.3	26,178.1
11	Public administration and defence	8,661.6	8,771.6	8,789.2	8,739.3	8,770.9
	Industry groupings:					
	Goods-producing industries	45,700.4	47,832.5	48,204.9	46,962.6	47,865.4
	Service-producing industries	82,769.8	85,512.9	85,860.5	85,604.3	86,732.9
	Commercial industries	108,679.8	113,380.0	114,066.0	112,576.6	114,564.1
	Non-commercial industries	19,790.3	19,965.4	19,999.4	19,990.3	20,034.2
	Industrial production	35,250.3	36,850.2	37,201.9	36,042.6	37,078.2

Indexes of Gross Domestic Product by Industry in Constant (1971) Prices

(Seasonally Adjusted)
(1971 = 100)

1970 SIC		April 1985	January 1986	February 1986	March 1986	April 1986
1-11	Gross Domestic Product	154.3	160.2	161.0	159.2	161.7
1	Agriculture	114.7	119.3	118.6	119.0	117.6
2	Forestry	128.6	131.7	137.4	125.3	118.2
3	Fishing and trapping	119.7	122.5	123.4	128.1	123.7
4	Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	110.6	116.9	113.2	108.5	108.1
5	Manufacturing industries	142.9	149.4	151.6	146.7	152.1
6	Construction industry	108.1	114.7	114.7	114.3	113.6
7	Transportation, communi- cation and other utilities	184.0	191.7	193.5	190.5	192.3
8	Trade	172.8	183.6	185.8	185.2	191.4
9	Finance, insurance and real estate	183.8	188.9	189.0	188.8	191.2
10	Community, business and personal service industries	158.9	161.7	161.6	162.2	162.8
11	Public administration and defence	140.8	142.6	142.9	142.0	142.6
	Industry groupings:					
	Goods-producing industries	135.4	141.8	142.9	139.2	141.9
	Service-producing industries	167.1	172.7	173.4	172.9	175.1
	Commercial industries	159.8	166.7	167.7	165.5	168.5
	Non-commercial industries	129.7	130.9	131.1	131.0	131.3
	Industrial production	144.6	151.1	152.6	147.8	152.1

Wholesale Trade

April 1986

Sales

Preliminary estimates of wholesale merchants' sales for April 1986 (not adjusted for price change) stood 17.3% above the April 1985 level. The year-over-year sales increase in April was in line with those recorded in January and February; the March gain was notably lower. The April rise was largely attributable to sales increases for lumber and building materials (+33.7%), motor vehicles and accessories (+27.2%) and other machinery, equipment and supplies (+20.7%).

Cumulative sales by wholesale merchants for the first four months of 1986 were up 13.3% over the January-April 1985 period. The largest impact on the overall increase stemmed from gains by wholesalers of lumber and building materials (+26.2%); motor vehicles and accessories (+19.7%); tobacco, drugs and toilet preparations (+17.9%); and other machinery, equipment and supplies (+16.1%).

Wholesale trade increases between April 1985 and April 1986 were posted in all regions, ranging from 26.2% in British Columbia (including the Yukon and Northwest Territories) to 3.1% in the Atlantic provinces.

Inventories

Between April 1985 and April 1986, wholesale inventories went up by 8.6%. This is the fourth consecutive month in which inventory levels have been 8.0% or more above those for the corresponding months in 1985.

The ratio of inventories to sales at the end of April 1986 stood at 1.56:1. For the first four months of 1986, this ratio has averaged 1.69:1, down from the 1.77:1 registered for the corresponding months in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 44.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, \$5/\$50), available the third week of July. Contact: Gilles Berniquez (613-991-3537), Wholesale Trade Section, Industry Division.

Wholesale Trade

Percentage Change in Sales and Inventories for April 1986/1985

Major trade groups - Regions	Sales			Inventories		Stocks/Sales Ratios	
	March 1986/85 ^r	April 1986/85 ^p	Jan.-Apr. 1986/85 ^p	March 1986/85 ^r	April 1986/85 ^p	April 1985 ^r	April 1986 ^p
Total all trades	6.1	17.3	13.3	8.6	8.6	1.69	1.56
Food	-0.3	3.0	3.8	3.8	6.0	0.74	0.76
Tobacco, drugs and toilet preparations	8.8	18.6	17.9	18.6	13.4	1.01	0.97
Apparel, dry goods, furniture and general merchandise	18.5	14.3	13.3	5.1	6.4	2.28	2.12
Motor vehicles and accessories	13.1	27.2	19.7	13.5	16.6	1.68	1.54
Farm machinery, equipment and supplies	2.6	8.5	11.3	-3.2	-4.9	3.49	3.06
Other machinery, equipment and supplies ¹	1.1	20.7	16.1	11.4	9.4	2.05	1.85
Metals, hardware, plumbing and heating equipment	2.7	10.3	6.4	15.6	12.0	1.60	1.63
Lumber and building materials	23.6	33.7	26.2	12.0	13.9	1.86	1.58
Other wholesalers ²	6.5	18.7	12.0	4.6	6.2	1.70	1.52
Regions							
Atlantic provinces	-4.4	3.1	1.6	4.9	4.2	1.42	1.44
Quebec	-1.3	13.7	7.8	7.3	5.6	1.55	1.44
Ontario	9.1	21.8	18.7	11.8	12.5	1.60	1.47
Prairie provinces	6.0	8.3	8.9	4.9	4.4	2.37	2.29
B.C., Yukon and Northwest Territories	14.4	26.2	17.2	8.9	11.9	1.47	1.30

^r Revised figures.

^p Preliminary figures.

¹ Includes: electrical machinery, equipment and supplies; and machinery and equipment, n.e.s.

² Includes: farm products (excluding grain); paper and paper products; scrap and waste materials; and wholesalers, n.e.s.

Data Availability Announcement

Corporation Taxation Statistics 1984

The reconciliation of book profit, taxable income and income taxes for corporations with assets of \$25 million or more is now available.

The data are available for nine major industry groups with data for the previous year provided for comparison purposes.

Contact: R. Saumure (613-990-9855),
Industrial Organization and Finance Division.

Publications Released

Field Crop Reporting Series,
No. 4: Preliminary Estimates
of Crop and Summerfallow Area,
Canada, June 1986
Catalogue number 22-002
(Canada: \$7/\$48; Other Countries: \$8/\$54)
Available today at 3:00 p.m.

Canada's International Trade
in Services, 1969-1984
Catalogue number 67-510
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Canada's International Trade in Services

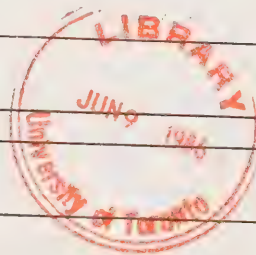
(Excluding Investment Income)
1969-1984

The above special report provides an analysis of important trends in Canada's international trade in services, particularly business services.

The analytical text and 22 tables draw on data collected for six years in the period 1969 to 1984. Business services are covered extensively, with detailed information available for the first time for 1983 and 1984 (including industrial and regional breakdowns).

Data are given for selected foreign geographical areas and for 16 categories of service transactions (e.g. computer services). The data also show whether or not transactions were carried out with affiliates abroad (e.g. Canadian subsidiaries with their foreign head offices).

Order *Canada's International Trade in Services, 1969-1984* (67-510, \$15). Contact: Lucie Laliberté (613-990-9050), Balance of Payments, International and Financial Economics Division.



Major Release

Characteristics of High-income Families

1980

The highest earning 1% of all families in Canada received an income of \$93,200 or more in 1980. The average income of these 63,250 high-income families was \$143,061 – over five times the national average of \$26,748. And while these families accounted for over 5% of income received by families from all sources, their share of the income received from self-employment and investment was about 20%.

Other highlights of the special study *Characteristics of High-income Families* include:

- Nearly 50% of the income of families in the highest earning group came from self-employment and investment, compared to about 11% for all families. About 80% of high-income families reported investment income.
- For the highest-earning families, about 41% had at least three income recipients in 1980 while for all families the figure was 17%.
- In about 58% of high-income husband-wife families both spouses worked (53% for all husband-wife families). In addition, work activity in most high-income families continued well beyond the normal age of retirement.
- The average income of wives in high-income families was \$22,603 in 1980. (Without this contribution by wives, the family income of approximately 33% of families in the top 1% category would have been less than \$93,200 – the lower limit for the group.) The average income for all wives totalled \$6,221.
- Every second high-income family was engaged in an entrepreneurial activity. Most of the husbands/lone parents in high-income families were in management, health, legal and sales occupations.
- About 50% of high-income families had at least one spouse with a university degree, as compared to 14% of all families.
- Some 70% of high-income families were resident in three provinces: Ontario, Alberta and British Columbia while some 60% were resident in large metropolitan centres with a population of 500,000 or over.
- Between 1970 and 1980, the proportion of high-income families in Alberta and British Columbia increased by 10 percentage points while the proportion in Quebec and Ontario declined by 10 percentage points.
- The trend towards increasing participation of wives in the labour force was even more pronounced among high-income families. Compared to about 44% in 1970, 56% of all wives in Canada worked in 1980. In the case of high-income families, the proportion of working wives increased from 36% in 1970 to 59% in 1980.

(see table on page 3)

Based on data from the 1981 Census, this study examines the sources and composition of the income of the highest earning 1% of all families. Also analysed are the socio-demographic and economic characteristics of these high-income families, including age structure, educational attainment, work patterns, occupational distributions, housing and shelter costs. In addition, the publication includes a brief examination of the changes in some of the characteristics and composition of income of the high-income families between 1970 and 1980.

Order *Characteristics of High Income Families, 1980* (13-584, \$20), available today. Contact: Abdul Rashid (613-990-9730), Labour and Household Surveys Analysis Division.

Selected Characteristics of All Families and High-income Families
1980

Characteristic	All families	High-income families
Number of families	6,325,315	63,250
Average total family income	\$	
	26,748	143,061
Average total employment income	22,536	106,624
Average total investment income	1,709	32,763
Average income of wives*	6,221	22,603
	%	
With income from self-employment as major source of family income	6.7	29.1
With three or more income recipients	17.0	40.7
Both spouses worked in 1980*	53.5	58.4
With husband/lone parent self-employed	12.5	50.8
With husband/lone parent in managerial, administrative or related occupation	13.2	40.4
With husband/lone parent in medicine or health occupation	2.2	18.5
Both spouses with university degree*	4.0	17.6
At least one spouse with university degree*	13.8	50.1
Median age of husband/lone parent	42.3	48.9
Average number of persons in family	3.26	3.69
Living in single-detached dwelling	65.4	85.6
Living in owner-occupied dwelling	71.7	92.7

* In husband-wife families.

Data Availability Announcements

Housing Starts

May 1986

Housing starts in May, seasonally adjusted at annual rates, decreased 6% to 192,000 units from a level of 204,000 units in April.

Although construction activity in both the single and multiple housing sectors eased off from the preceding month, it remained strong compared to levels reached in previous years.

Housing starts in urban centres increased in May in the Atlantic provinces and Quebec while a slowdown was experienced in the rest of the country.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 25, 29, 4091 and 4092.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, \$15/\$150), scheduled for release the third week of July. Contact: P. Pichette (613-990-9689), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division.

Railway Carloadings

Seven Days Ending June 14, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the seven days ending June 14, 1986 totalled 4.9 million tonnes, a decrease of 2.1% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 22 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release the week of June 30. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder

May 1986

Production of process cheese during the month of May 1986 totalled 6 607 365 kilograms, an increase of 30.3% from the previous month and up 15.0% from May 1985.

Total production of instant skim milk powder during the month was 472 180 kilograms, down 20.0% from April and down 27.0% from a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 188 (series 1.10).

Order the May 1986 issue of *Production and Inventories of Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder* (32-024, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of July 7. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Structural Steel Price Index

First Quarter 1986

Fabricated structural steel-in-place price indexes for the first quarter of 1986 are now available. The index, at the Canada level, shows an increase of 0.8% from the fourth quarter of 1985 and an increase of 7.9% from one year ago.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 419.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in August. Contact: Bernard Lebrun (613-990-9608), Prices Division.

Publications Released

Characteristics of High-income Families, 1980

by A. Rashid

Catalogue number 13-584

(Canada: \$20; Other Countries: \$21)

Cereals and Oilseeds Review,

April 1986

Catalogue number 22-007

(Canada: \$10/\$100; Other Countries: \$11/\$110)

Monthly Production of Soft Drinks,

May 1986 **Catalogue number 32-001**

(Canada: \$2/\$20; Other Countries: \$3/\$30)

Specified Domestic Electrical

Appliances, April 1986

Catalogue number 43-003

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Factory Sales of Electric

Storage Batteries, April 1986

Catalogue number 43-005

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Cement, April 1986

Catalogue number 44-001

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Service Bulletin - Surface and

Marine Transport, Vol. 2, No. 4:

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Motor Carriers of Freight, 1984

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4	Industrial Corporations: Financial Statistics (Final Data)	First Quarter 1986
4	New Housing Price Index	May 1986
4	Industrial Product Price Index	May 1986
4	Raw Materials Price Index	May 1986
7	Building Permits	April 1986
8	Travel Between Canada and Other Countries	May 1986
9	Department Store Sales by Regions	May 1986
10	New Motor Vehicle Sales	May 1986
10	Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade	May 1986
10	Help-wanted Index	June 1986
11	Labour Force Survey	June 1986
11	Farm Cash Receipts	January-May 1986
14-18	Gross National Product	First Quarter 1986
16	Retail Trade	May 1986
17	Security Transactions with Non-residents	May 1986
18-22	Canadian Composite Leading Indicator	April 1986
21-22	Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries	May 1986

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July		
21-22	Sales of Refined Petroleum Products	May 1986
21-22	Department Store Sales and Stocks	May 1986
22	The Consumer Price Index	June 1986
23	Leading Indicator of Building Construction Activity in Canada	March 1986
24	Wholesale Trade	May 1986
25	Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production	April 1986
28-31	Gross Domestic Product (Including Industrial Production)	May 1986
29	Employment, Earnings and Hours	May 1986
30	Unemployment Insurance Statistics	May 1986
31	Industrial Product Price Index	June 1986
31	Raw Materials Price Index	June 1986
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The August 1986 release schedule will be published on July 31, 1986. **Users Note:** This schedule can be retrieved from CANSIM by the command DATES.

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Major Release

Transactions in Outstanding Securities with Non-residents, April 1986

- Foreign investments in outstanding Canadian securities provided the lowest monthly net inflow (\$53 million) in more than two years

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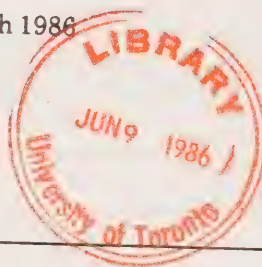
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Transactions in Outstanding Securities with Non-residents

April 1986

A small increase in foreign investments in outstanding Canadian securities in April resulted in the lowest monthly net inflow (\$53 million) in more than two years. Non-residents continued to acquire Canadian bonds in the current month with net sales amounting to \$84 million. While investments from Japan remained strong, residents of the United States and the United Kingdom reduced their holdings of Canadian bonds. On a net basis there were no additional investments in Canadian stocks; however, the gross value of stocks traded (i.e. sales and purchases) increased by some 50% to over \$4 billion.

In trade in outstanding foreign securities, residents were net buyers of foreign bonds (\$89 million), while reducing investments in foreign stocks (\$75 million). The latter resulted from trading in United States securities, with residents continuing to acquire overseas stocks.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Security Transactions with Non-residents* (67-002, \$15/\$150), available mid-July. Contact: Lucie Laliberté (613-990-9050), Balance of Payments, International and Financial Economics Division.

Transactions in Outstanding Securities with Non-residents

April 1986

Type of issue	Sales to Non-residents	Purchases from Non-residents	Net Sales (+)
(\$ millions)			
Canadian securities:			
Bonds	3,114	3,030	+ 84
Common and preferred stocks	2,010	2,041	- 31
Total - April 1986	5,124	5,071	+ 53
Total - March 1986	5,448	4,588	+ 860
Foreign securities:			
Bonds	3,164	3,253	- 89
Common and preferred stocks	2,121	2,046	+ 75
Total - April 1986	5,285	5,299	- 13
Total - March 1986	4,371	4,349	+ 22

Data Availability Announcements

Coal and Coke Statistics

April 1986

Canadian production of coal totalled 4 553 kilotonnes in April 1986, down 10.4% from 5 081 kilotonnes a year earlier. Exports of coal decreased 30.9% to 1 763 kilotonnes from 2 552 kilotonnes while imports of 791 kilotonnes of coal were reported. Coke production decreased 0.9% to 386 kilotonnes in April 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 9.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, \$8/\$80), available the third week of July. Contact: Dave Madsen (613-990-9823), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Electric Power Statistics

April 1986

Net generation of electricity in Canada in April 1986 increased by 0.8% to 35 543 gigawatt hours from 35 248 gigawatt hours a year earlier. Exports of electric power decreased 10.6% to 2 878 gigawatt hours from 3 213 gigawatt hours and imports climbed by 62.3% to 644 gigawatt hours from the April 1985 level of 397 gigawatt hours.

Net generation of electricity during 1986-to-date totalled 162 866 gigawatt hours, up 2.7% from the January-April 1985 level of 158 588 gigawatt hours. Exports of electricity rose 2.4% to 12 816 gigawatt hours from 12 514 gigawatt hours and imports rose 128.2% to 2 158 gigawatt hours from 946 gigawatt hours.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3987-3999.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, \$8/\$80), available the third week of July. Contact: Dave Madsen (613-991-3565), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics

March 1986

In March 1986, 66 Canadian urban transit systems collected 132,775,070 initial passenger fares. Operating revenues amounted to \$85,631,793.

During the same period, 20 passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations carried 1,961,599 fare passengers and earned \$19,338,177 in operating revenues.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 351 and 352.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics* (53-003, \$6.50/\$65), available the third week of June 1986. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Transportation Division.

Sawmills in British Columbia

April 1986

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1,439.7 million feet board measure (3 397 700 cubic metres) of lumber and ties in April 1986, up from 1,175.7 million feet board measure (2 774 300 cubic metres) in April 1985.

January to April 1986 production amounted to 5,267.2 million feet board measure (12 429 800 cubic metres), an increase of 22.4% over 1985 figures.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 53 (series 1.2).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, \$6/\$60), to be released the first week of July. Contact: Jock Dobie (604-666-2671), B.C. and Yukon Regional Office, Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 3C9.

Sawmills East of the Rockies

April 1986

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased in April 1986 to 840,371,000 feet board measure (1 983 058 cubic metres) from 754,325,000 feet board measure (1 780 009 cubic metres) after revisions in April 1985.

Stocks on hand at the end of April 1986 totalled 1,027,894,000 feet board measure (2 425 559 cubic metres).

Available on CANSIM: matrices 53 (except series 1.2) and 122 (series 2).

Order the April 1986 issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, \$8/\$80), to be released the week of July 14. Contact: Patrick E. Martin (613-991-3516), Industry Division.

Cement

May 1986

Manufacturers shipped 1 029 351 tonnes of cement in May 1986, up 0.6% from the 1 023 218 (revised) tonnes shipped the previous year and up 21.5% from the 847 137 tonnes shipped in the previous month.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 92 and 122 (series 13).

Order the May 1986 issue of *Cement* (44-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of July 14. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables

June 2, 1986

Stocks of fruit, frozen and in preservatives, in storage and factories at the opening of the first business day of June totalled 11 287 tonnes, down from 15 028 tonnes last year. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 50 379 tonnes (44 465 in 1985).

Available on CANSIM: matrices 9537-9543.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, \$8/\$80), scheduled for release July 14. Contact: Dave Burroughs (613-990-8714), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

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**Inventories, Shipments and Orders in
Manufacturing Industries, March 1986**
Catalogue number 31-001
(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

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Catalogue number 63-011
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Major Releases

Federal Government Employment

First Quarter 1986

Employees of the federal government and government enterprises numbered 587,357 as of March 1986, an overall decrease of 4,853 (-0.8%) from March 1985. General government employees increased by 194 (0.1%), while those in government enterprises (including the Canada Post Corporation) declined by 5,047 (-2.4%).

The small increase in general government employment mainly reflected higher levels at the departments of National Defence, National Revenue and Statistics Canada – mostly in the form of term employment. Departments with major year-over-year decreases were Public Works, Employment and Immigration, Supply and Services, Environment, and Atomic Energy of Canada Limited.

The decrease in government enterprise employment was due primarily to the fact that de Havilland Aircraft of Canada Limited and Canadian Arsenals Limited were no longer included as government enterprises after being

sold to the private sector in January 1986. Decreases were also reported for the Canada Post Corporation, the Canadian National Railways and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. Partly offsetting was an employment increase for Petro-Canada due to the acquisition of Gulf Canada Ltd. in September 1985.

Gross payroll (including overtime and retroactive payments) for January-March 1986 was \$4,237.9 million, an increase of \$71.9 million (1.7%) over the corresponding quarter in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: quarterly data are located in matrix 2717, monthly data by province in matrix 2718 and Canadian Armed Forces data in matrix 2720.

The January-March 1986 issue of the publication *Federal Government Employment* (72-004, \$20/\$80), will be released July 31. Questions pertaining to the data should be directed to T. Moore (613-990-8306) or M. Fathy (613-991-1843), Public Institutions Division.

Farm Wages in Canada

May 15, 1986

Average hourly farm wages, without board, lodging, or house provided, were estimated at \$5.51 at May 15, 1986, up 4.2% from \$5.29 a year earlier. The highest average wage, \$6.33 per hour, was paid in Saskatchewan, while the lowest, \$4.90 was paid in Quebec.

Following is a provincial breakdown of average wages of farm help per hour, without board:

● Maritimes (P.E.I., N.S., N.B.)	\$4.98
● Quebec	\$4.90
● Ontario	\$5.31
● Manitoba	\$6.01
● Saskatchewan	\$6.33
● Alberta	\$5.80
● British Columbia	\$6.23
● Canada	\$5.51

Average daily wages, without board, were estimated at \$45.40, and monthly wages without board, at \$1,023.00.

The Farm Wages in Canada series provides quarterly estimates of average cash wages paid to hired agricultural labour, as of the 15th day of February, May, August and November. These wage estimates are based on a mail survey of 5,429 farmers, who reported that they had hired agricultural labour at the time of the 1981 Census of Agriculture.

Users should note that comparisons among quarters may not be valid, as the number, and skills of hired labour vary throughout the year. An increase in the average wage rate may not be a function of higher wages, but may be a reflection of a greater proportion of skilled workers in the labour force.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 174.

Order Farm Wages in Canada (21-002, \$7/\$28), scheduled for release the third week of July. Contact: Elizabeth Leckie (613-990-8706), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

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Major Appliances

May 1986

Canadian appliance firms produced 197,956 major appliances during May 1986, a decrease of 10.3% from the 220,621 units produced the previous month.

Domestic sales of major appliances by these firms increased to 170,567 units in May 1986, up 5.4% from April 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 65, 66 and 122 (series 30).

Order the May 1986 issue of *Production, Sales and Stocks of Major Appliances* (43-010, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of July 14. Contact: Roger Laplante (613-990-9837), Industry Division.

Notifiable Diseases Summary

June 7, 1986

Statistics and new cases of notifiable diseases for the four-week period ending June 7, 1986 are now available by sex and five-year age group for Canada and the provinces.

Available on CANSIM: cross-classified table 00050123.

Contact: Leslie Gaudette (613-991-1769), Health Division.



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Catalogue number 23-001

(Canada: \$10/\$100; Other Countries: \$11/\$110)

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Catalogue number 26-006

(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Construction Type Plywood,
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Catalogue number 35-001

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Rigid Insulating Board,
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Catalogue number 41-011

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

**Passenger Bus and Urban
Transit Statistics,**
January 1986

Catalogue number 53-003

(Canada: \$6.50/\$65; Other Countries:
\$7.50/\$75)

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Catalogue number 55-002

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Industrial Product Price Index and Raw Materials Price Index - Note to Users

Due to processing difficulties, publication of these May 1986 indexes has been delayed until next week.



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Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics

April 1986

In April 1986, 66 Canadian urban transit systems collected 124,726,544 initial passenger fares. Operating revenues amounted to \$79,013,990.

During the same period, 20 passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations carried 1,684,842 fare passengers and earned \$16,201,196 in operating revenues.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 351 and 352.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics* (53-003, \$6.50/\$65), available the third week of June. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Transportation Division.

Steel Ingots

Week Ending June 28, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending June 28, 1986 totalled 288 147 tonnes, an increase of 1.1% from the preceding week's total of 284 904 tonnes but down 2.2% from the year-earlier level of 294 502 tonnes.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Gypsum Products

May 1986

Manufacturers shipped 24 719 213 square metres of plain gypsum wallboard in May 1986, up 24.4% from the 19 876 923 square metres shipped a year earlier but down 0.3% from the 24 801 690 square metres shipped in April 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 39 and 122 (series 11 and 12).

Order the May 1986 issue of *Gypsum Products* (44-003, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of July 7. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.

Publications Released

**Production and Sales of Phonograph
Records and Pre-recorded**

Tapes in Canada, April 1986

Catalogue number 47-004

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Exports by Commodities, April 1986

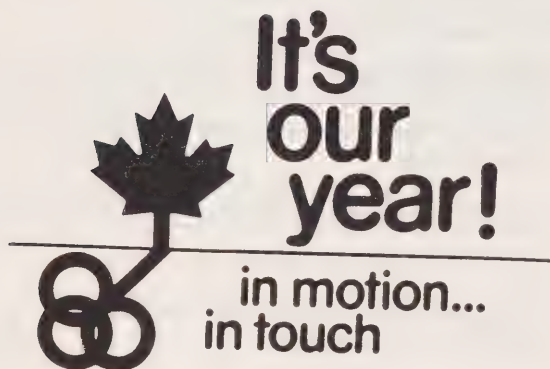
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- Long-term trips to Canada by United States residents reached the highest May level since 1972

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- The book value of trusted pension funds exceeded \$110 billion

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Gross Domestic Product at Factor Cost by Industry 1961-1981

Revised annual benchmarks for current price Gross Domestic Product (GDP) at factor cost (remuneration of primary factors of production) by industry for the period 1961-1981 are to be released today. The benchmarks are an anchor to the monthly Real Domestic Product by Industry as well as to the provincial estimates of GDP by Industry.

These benchmarks were derived from the annual input-output tables. The 1961-1980 estimates were developed using the 1970 Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) while the 1981 estimates were developed using the 1980 classification. The benchmarks are available on CANSIM: matrix 4663 and will be published in the forthcoming publication *The Input-Output Structure of the Canadian Economy* (15-510).

Users requiring additional information may call Ronald Rioux (613-991-3697), Input-Output Division.

Major Releases

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries

May 1986

Total Travel

On a year-over-year basis, Canadian residents reduced their visits to countries other than the United States for the first time since November 1984. Canadian visits to the United States, however, posted a slight advance but remained below the level recorded in May 1983.

Other highlights from the May 1986 issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* include:

- Visits by United States residents reached the highest total for May since 1981.
- The number of visits by residents of other countries increased over May 1985 but remained below the level attained in the same month of 1981.

Estimation of Long-term Travel

Long-term trips to Canada by United States residents reached a record level in May, as Expo '86 opened in Vancouver.

- Visits by residents of other countries (excluding those arriving by land via the United States for stays of less than 24

hours) also reached the highest May level since 1972.

- In the first five months of 1986, Canadian trips abroad outnumbered foreign visits to Canada.
- United States long-term visits to Canada in May 1986 were 60% higher than those by Canadian residents to the United States - the highest percentage since 1974.
- There were also 16% more tourist visits by residents of countries other than the United States than there were Canadians residents returning from trips to these same countries.

The accompanying table shows traveller entries and re-entries for May 1986 covering total and long-term traffic as well as percentage changes from 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2661-2694.

Order the May 1986 issue of *International Travel - Advance Information* (66-001P, \$5/\$50), available mid-July. Contact: Paul L. Paradis (613-990-8933), International Travel Section, International and Financial Economics Division.

International Travel Between Canada and Other Countries

May 1986

Residence of travellers	Total trips				Long-term trips ¹			
	May		January-May		May		January-May	
	Number 1986	% Change from '85	Number 1986	% Change from '85	Number 1986	% Change from '85	Number 1986	% Change from '85
Non-residents								
All Countries	3,571,556	15.0	11,405,421	11.3	1,487,884	27.1	3,641,741	16.3
United States	3,361,936	14.7	10,880,286	11.3	1,300,290	28.0	3,162,821	16.8
Other countries	209,620	18.9	525,135	11.8	187,594	21.2	478,920	13.2
Residents of Canada								
All Countries	3,399,084	3.7	15,515,441	3.3	974,785	-2.1	5,102,397	1.0
United States	3,238,018	4.2	14,416,824	3.2	813,719	-1.4	4,003,780	0.3
Other countries	161,066	-5.5	1,098,617	3.7	161,066	-5.5	1,098,617	3.7

¹ Figures for the "United States" include auto and bus one or more nights, and total plane, train and boat flows. Figures for "Other Countries" exclude entries by land same day via the U.S.A.

Trusteed Pension Funds

Fourth Quarter 1985

The book value of assets held in trustee pension funds at the end of the fourth quarter of 1985 amounted to \$110.1 billion, \$13.4 billion or 13.9% more than the amount held one year earlier. The rate of growth was lower than the 15% and 17.2% increases recorded in 1984 and 1983, respectively, and was the lowest annual percentage increase since 1974.

The proportion of the total assets invested in bonds for the fourth quarter of 1985, at 46.7%, was relatively unchanged from the fourth quarter of 1980. Stocks continued to represent the second largest share of the assets over the same period, growing steadily to 26.4% from 20.4%. A significant portion of the assets continued to be invested in various short-term securities, representing 12.5% of the total at the end of 1985.

Total income of these funds for the fourth quarter of 1985 amounted to nearly \$6 billion. Out of this income, \$1.6 billion in expenditures were made, leaving a net cash flow of more than \$4.3 billion. Employer contributions increased from \$924 million in the third quarter of 1985 to nearly \$1,734 million in the fourth quarter, reflecting the year-end special payments made by some employers to liquidate unfunded liabilities. On the other hand, more than \$150 million was refunded to other employers from surpluses in their pension funds during the fourth quarter of 1985.

Order the fourth quarter 1985 issue of *Quarterly Estimates of Trusteed Pension Funds* (74-001, \$10/\$40), available towards the end of July. Contact: Jessica Dunn or Diane Galarneau (613-990-9900), Pensions Section, Labour Division.



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Canada's Foreign Trade in Automotive Products

January-March 1986

Trade with the United States, Reconciled Basis (Table 1)

During the first three months of 1986, Canada posted a \$1.2 billion trade surplus in automotive products with the United States, down \$152 million from the record surplus (\$1.3 billion) set during the same period in 1985.

In the course of the first quarter of 1986, exports to the United States reached a record level of \$8.9 billion, an increase of 9.2% from the first quarter of 1985. This increase was not uniformly shared - cars gained 18% and reached a level of \$4.0 billion while exports of trucks, tires and tubes remained near 1985 levels. Imports rose by 13.2% to reach a new high of \$7.7 billion. Parts and cars accounted for most of this increase, contributing \$553 and \$314 million respectively, to the overall change in imports.

Trade with Overseas Countries, Customs Basis (Table 2)

The trade deficit in automotive products with overseas countries continued to increase, up \$336 million to reach a record level of \$1.2 billion. This deficit almost entirely offset the surplus recorded for trade with the United States. Most of the worsening of the deficit resulted from a sharp increase (40%) in imports to reach a level of \$1.4 billion. The contributions to this increase were unevenly shared among cars (68.4%), trucks (13.5%) and parts (20.6%). Export categories, with the exception of cars, increased during the first three months of 1986; cars continued to show a reduced share in total exports. Together, these changes were not sufficient to offset the overall thrust in imports.

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Note to Data Users

Canada-United States trade in automotive products, shown in this special release, is measured by comparing the import statistics of each country. U.S. statistics on imports from Canada (converted to Canadian dollars) are used to represent Canadian exports because this enables a more exact comparison of the two trade flows. This greater exactness results from several factors. Customs revenue is collected on the basis of import documentation and consequently, the filing and scrutiny of import documents is more rigorous. The use of customs tariff along with the commodity code allows assignment of the trade of certain commodities to the automotive sector. Examples of such commodities are tires, hardware, fabric, glass, metal materials, lighting fixtures, ignition equipment, etc., which may or may not be related to production of automobiles.

As a result, the data in this release, for automotive trade with the U.S. differ significantly from data released in all other Statistics Canada trade reports such as the *Preliminary Statement of Canadian International Trade* (65-001P) and the monthly *Summary of Canadian International Trade* (65-001). Data in these trade reports give statistics by commodity which can serve as an approximation of automotive trade; however, they should not be expected to agree precisely with this release.

The data published in Table 1 of this release also appear in the Annual Report of the President to the (U.S.) Congress on the Operation of the Automotive Products Trade Act of 1965, and are accepted in both countries as the official measure of trade in automotive products.

Exports to all countries except the United States are measured using Canadian export statistics, and not the counterpart country import statistics.

Source of Passenger Automobile Imports (Table 3)

During the first quarter of 1986, a total of 278,300 cars were imported, an increase of 17.1% from the first quarter of 1985. Over the same period, the United States' share of imports dropped by 3.5 percentage points to 67.8%; and Japan's imports were down 0.7 of a percentage point to 15.6%. Increases were noted for West Germany (up by 1.8 to 5.6%) and "Other Countries" (up by 2.8 to 9.9%).

The average price of cars imported during the first quarter rose 4.8% above the year-earlier level. Imports from the United States increased 3.3% from 1985, while imports from overseas countries advanced by almost 18%.

Contact: G. Blaney (613-990-0647), Trade Information Unit, or F. Bordé (613-990-9785), Trade Measures and Analysis Section, International Trade Division.

Canada-United States Trade in Automotive Products, Reconciled Basis¹ (Table 1)

First three months 1985 and 1986

	Annual		First three months		Change between the first three months of	
	1984	1985	1985	1986	1985	1986
(millions of dollars - Canadian)						
						(%)
Exports - (United States Imports from Canada)						
Cars	13,085	15,277	3,398	4,011	613	18.0
Trucks and other motor vehicles	5,880	6,422	1,618	1,653	35	2.2
Parts	10,287	11,512	2,962	3,064	102	3.4
Tires and tubes	598	592	135	130	-5	-3.7
Total	29,850	33,803	8,113	8,858	745	9.2
Imports - (Canadian Imports from the U.S.)						
Cars	6,085	8,566	2,063	2,377	314	15.2
Trucks and other motor vehicles	2,039	2,570	545	604	59	10.8
Parts	15,446	17,438	4,084	4,637	553	13.5
Tires and tubes	345	264	87	58	-29	-33.3
Total	23,915	28,838	6,779	7,676	897	13.2
Balance						
Cars	7,000	6,711	1,335	1,634	299	
Trucks and other motor vehicles	3,841	3,852	1,073	1,049	-24	
Parts	-5,159	-5,926	-1,122	-1,573	-451	
Tires and tubes	253	328	48	72	24	
Total	5,935	4,965	1,334	1,182	-152	
Excluded: adjustments to values of imported parts for special tooling charges.	417	454	98	143		

¹ Refer to "Notes to Data Users".

Canada-Overseas Countries Trade in Automotive Products (Customs Basis) (Table 2)

First three months 1985 and 1986

	Annual		First three months		Change between the first three months of	
	1984	1985	1985	1986	1985	1986
(millions of dollars - Canadian)						(%)
Domestic Exports						
Cars	189	39	17	12	-5	-29.4
Trucks and other motor vehicles	144	177	40	58	18	45.0
Parts	280	307	65	100	35	53.8
Tires and tubes	30	45	8	10	2	25.0
Re-exports	168	134	31	38	7	22.6
Total Canadian Exports	811	702	161	218	57	35.4
Imports						
Cars	1,805	2,726	494	763	269	54.5
Trucks and other motor vehicles	372	381	84	137	53	63.1
Parts	1,328	1,459	353	434	81	22.9
Tires and tubes	207	207	60	50	-10	-16.7
Total Canadian Imports	3,712	4,773	991	1,384	393	39.7
Balance						
Cars	-1,616	-2,687	-477	-751	-274	
Trucks and other motor vehicles	-228	-204	-44	-79	-35	
Parts	-1,048	-1,152	-288	-334	-46	
Tires and tubes	-177	-162	-52	-40	12	
Re-exports	168	134	31	38	7	
Total	-2,901	-4,071	-830	-1,166	-336	

Canadian Passenger Car Imports (Customs Basis) (Table 3)

First three months of 1985 and 1986

	Number of units				Import share		Average price		Exchange rate ¹	
			Change						Change	
	1985	1986	1986/ 1985	1986/ 1985	1985	1986	1985	1986	1986/ 1985	1986/ 1985
First three months										
	('000)	('000)	('000)	%	%	%	\$	\$	%	%
United States	169.3	188.8	19.5	11.5	71.3	67.8	12,184	12,590	3.3	3.7
Overseas countries	68.3	89.5	21.2	31.1	28.7	32.2	7,241	8,531	17.8	--
Japan	38.8	43.4	4.5	11.7	16.3	15.6	6,663	8,183	22.8	42.6
West Germany	8.9	15.5	6.6	73.7	3.8	5.6	12,105	12,871	6.3	44.0
United Kingdom	0.5	0.4	-0.1	-12.9	0.2	0.2	27,131	28,466	4.9	34.0
France	1.6	1.1	-0.4	-28.6	0.7	0.4	5,645	8,219	45.6	43.3
Sweden	1.2	1.6	0.4	30.3	0.5	0.6	13,790	14,622	6.0	29.8
Italy	0.3	0.0	-0.3	-96.5	0.1	0.0	5,204	20,778	299.3	31.3
Other countries	17.0	27.5	10.5	61.9	7.1	9.9	5,121	5,971	16.6	--
All countries	237.5	278.3	40.7	17.1	100.0	100.0	10,764	11,284	4.8	20.7

¹ Minus sign (-) indicates depreciation of the value of the currency of the country against the Canadian dollar. Rate for all countries is the rate against the Canadian dollar of the SDR (Special Drawing Rights), a weighted average of 16 world currencies, by the International Monetary Fund.

-- Amount too small to be expressed.

The Canadian Health and Disability Survey

1983-1984

More than 2.7 million Canadians reported some level of disability during 1983-84. Among adults, the likelihood of reporting a disability increases with age, rising from 4% for those aged 15 to 24 and to 39% for those aged 65 and over.

Other survey findings in the report, published by Statistics Canada and the Department of the Secretary of State, include:

- A total of 66% of the disabilities reported by adults are associated with mobility and body movement; 22% are related to hearing and seeing. Over 80,000 Canadians with a hearing disability are in need of hearing aids and 20,000 people with a seeing disability report the need for a pair of glasses.
- Medical conditions that most frequently cause disability are diseases of the musculoskeletal system and connective tissue, arthritis and rheumatism, and hearing disorders.
- An estimated 85,000 Canadians are in need of special features such as ramps or elevators to improve access to housing, and 120,000 need mobility aids such as handrails within their homes.

- Over 40% of disabled people aged 15 to 64 are employed, compared to 67% of the non-disabled population.
- Some 15% of the disabled population have incomes of \$20,000 or more, compared with over 30% of the total population.
- A total of 302,000 children, or 6% of the Canadian population aged 14 and younger, were identified as disabled. Some 53,000 have a health problem which requires them to attend a special school, or special classes in a regular school. Among those children who are limited in their normal activities at school or play, diseases of the respiratory system are the most common cause of their limitation.

A more comprehensive survey of disabled Canadians is being conducted by Statistics Canada this summer and fall. The survey will extend coverage to include the Yukon and Northwest Territories, Indian reserves and the population living in special care facilities. Initial results are expected in 1988.

Order *Report of the Canadian Health and Disability Survey, 1983-1984* (82-555E, \$15), available today, from Publication Sales and Service (613-993-7276). For more information, contact Ed Praught (613-990-8575), Health Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Railway Carloadings

Seven Days Ending June 21, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the seven days ending June 21, 1986 totalled 5.1 million tonnes, an increase of 2.7% from a year earlier.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 23 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release this week. Contact: Wayne Reinhard (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Railway Financial and Operating Statistics

December 1985

Canada's seven major railways reported a combined net loss from operations of \$16.5 million in December 1985. Operating revenues of \$618.4 million were up \$101.4 million from December 1984.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 142.

Order the December 1985 issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, \$9.50/\$95), to be released the last week of July. Contact: the Rail Unit (613-990-8700), Transportation Division.

The Dairy Review

May 1986

Creamery butter production in Canada totalled 9 390 tonnes, up 2.7% from May 1985. Production of cheddar cheese in Canada amounted to 9 086 tonnes, a decrease of 4.9% from the previous year.

An estimated 629 015 kilolitres of milk were sold off Canadian farms for all purposes in April 1986, an increase of approximately 0.4% over April 1985. This brought the total estimate of milk sold off farms during the first four months of 1986 to 2 327 550 kilolitres, a decrease of 0.3% from the January-April period a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5632-5638, 5650-5661, 5666 and 5667.

Order the May 1986 issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release the week of July 21. Contact: Dave Burroughs (613-991-2550), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.



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Railway Financial and Operating Statistics

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Canada's seven major railways reported a combined net loss from operations of \$4.3 million in January 1986. Operating revenues of \$592.4 million were up \$3.1 million from the January 1985 figure.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 142.

Order the January 1986 issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, \$9.50/\$95), to be released the last week of July. Contact: the Rail Unit (613-990-8700), Transportation Division.

Steel Ingots

Week Ending July 5, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending July 5, 1986 totalled 273 285 tonnes, a decrease of 5.2% from the preceding week's total of 288 147 tonnes but up 10.2% from the year-earlier level of 247 930 tonnes.

The cumulative total in 1986 was 7 434 488 tonnes, a decrease of 1.6% compared to the 1985 total of 7 557 797 tonnes.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Electrical Appliances

May 1986

Canadian electrical appliance firms produced 104,787 kitchen appliances in May 1986, down 17.6% from the 127,219 appliances produced a year earlier. Production of household vacuum cleaners totalled 32,659 – a drop of 33.5% from 49,129 in May 1985. Production of home comfort products totalled 19,468 in May 1986 – a decrease of 0.8% from the previous year's level of 19,630.

Year-to-date production in May 1986 amounted to 886,157 units. (Corresponding data for May 1985 are confidential.)

Order the May 1986 issue of *Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances* (43-003, \$4/\$40), to be released by July 18. Contact: Aldo Diaz (613-991-3523), Industry Division.

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers

May 1986

Canadian manufacturers shipped 177 123 thousand square metres of corrugated boxes and wrappers in May 1986, a decrease of 3.2% from the 183 032 thousand square metres shipped a year earlier.

January to May 1986 shipments totalled 876 167 thousand square metres, up 5.7% from 828 958 thousand square metres for the same period in 1985.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of July 14. Contact: Katherine Blais (613-991-3531), Industry Division.

Rigid Insulating Board

May 1986

Shipments of rigid insulating board totalled 4 913 thousand square metres (12.7 mm basis) in May 1986, an increase of 2.2% from the 4 805 thousand square metres shipped a year earlier.

January to May 1986 shipments totalled 21 327 thousand square metres, an advance of 15.4% from the 18 474 thousand square metres shipped in the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 31 and 122 (series 4-7).

Order the May 1986 issue of *Rigid Insulating Board* (36-002, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of July 14. Contact: Katherine Blais (613-991-3531), Industry Division.

Asphalt Roofing

May 1986

Shipments of asphalt shingles totalled 2 931 980 bundles in May 1986, a decrease of 13.5% from the 3 387 633 bundles shipped a year earlier.

January to May 1986 shipments reached 13 399 328 bundles, up 10.6% from the 12 117 878 bundles shipped during the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 32 and 122 (series 27 and 28).

Order the May 1986 issue of *Asphalt Roofing* (45-001, \$4/\$40), to be released this week. Contact: Katherine Blais (613-991-3531), Industry Division.

Electric Storage Batteries

May 1986

Firms sold 141,350 automotive replacement batteries in May 1986, an increase of 9.0% from the 129,625 batteries sold a year earlier.

Year-to-date sales amounted to 793,643 automotive replacement batteries in May 1986, up 3.4% from 767,452 for the same period in 1985.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries* (43-005, \$4/\$40), available the week of July 21. Contact: Aldo Diaz (613-991-3523), Industry Division.

Fruit and Vegetable Production

1986/1985

The 1986 preliminary estimate of area planted to potatoes in Canada is now available as are statistics on the 1985 Canadian tobacco crop.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1044 and 5611.

Order *Fruit and Vegetable Production* (22-003, \$8/\$60), available in early August. Contact: A. Mathieson (613-991-3854), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Family Expenditure

1984

A microdata tape on expenditures of families and unattached individuals in 15 major cities in Canada for the calendar year 1984 is now available. The tape also includes characteristics of the spending unit, its head and spouse, as well as a description of the dwelling unit.

The data were collected from the 1984 survey of family expenditures. Results from this survey will be published in *Family Expenditure in Canada - Selected Cities, 1984* (62-555), to be released this fall. This is the third tape on expenditures to be released from the survey of family expenditures. It contains approximately 4,800 records of spending units. All records have been thoroughly screened, and in a few cases either excluded or modified to assure the anonymity of respondents. The tape is available for \$400.

Contact: Tom Greenberg (613-990-9781), Household Surveys Division.

Publications Released

**Preliminary Statement of Canadian
International Trade, May 1986**
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(Canada: \$5/\$50; Other Countries: \$6/\$60)
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**Unemployment Insurance
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Criminal Injuries Compensation, released today, presents key statistics on provincial/territorial programs for criminal injuries compensation. Figures cover total payments, per capita cost of programs in current and constant dollars, applications, awards and refusals made in the 10-year period to 1984-85. Also included is a special study of victim and assailant characteristics by age and sex.

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Seasonally Adjusted, Balance of Payments Basis
May 1986

Month-to-month Overview

Month-to-month movements in both exports and imports continued to be unstable. Preliminary May estimates showed total exports declined 6.8% or \$700 million to \$9.6 billion, following an increase of \$862 million in April and a decline of \$593 million in March. Imports registered smaller declines – 4.3% or \$395 million, down to \$8.8 billion. This followed an increase of \$1.1 billion in April and a decrease of \$1.8 billion in March.

As a result, the merchandise trade surplus decreased \$304 million in May to \$831 million. This came after a \$244 million decrease registered in April and a \$1.2 billion jump in March.

Short-term Trend (excludes the latest month)

Total Exports

Weakness in exports of wheat, trucks and motor vehicle parts, as well as the recent turnaround in industrial goods and materials exports were the main contributors to a declining short-term trend visible since December 1985. Strength in exports of forestry products, machinery and equipment, and to a lesser extent the easing in the declines of energy products, was not enough to offset declines in the short-term trend.

Imports

After 15 consecutive months of growth, the short-term trend for imports declined for the third time in a row. This resulted from weaker imports of passenger automobiles, motor vehicle parts, industrial goods and materials and imports of energy products. In contrast, imports of agricultural and fish products and other consumer goods continued to show signs of growth.

Commodity Highlights

Total Exports

About half of the \$700 million decline in May exports resulted from sharp decreases in industrial goods and materials. Growth in forestry products registered in the first four months of 1986 was nearly cancelled by a \$231 million drop in May. Exports of aircraft and other transportation equipment continued an upward trend, rebounding 48% in April and declining 25% or \$114 million in May. Following a \$182 million recovery in April, exports of automotive products posted a 3.1% or \$89 million decrease in May and remained on a downward trend after reaching a peak in October 1985.

Exports of energy products, with a 19% (\$158 million) gain in May, showed renewed vigor after large declines in January and February, contributing to a slowdown in the short-term trend – to 5% in April from 16% in February.

Imports

Declines were posted in all major import commodity groupings with the exception of energy products. Despite the current increase, imports of these products are still on a downward trend. Imports of chemicals and plastics and other industrial goods; imports of industrial and agricultural machinery, and other machinery and equipment which had shown signs of recovery in April, accounted for most of the overall \$395 million drop in imports.

Imports of crude petroleum, after two consecutive declines of \$319 million in March and \$33 million in April, increased 93% or \$117 million to \$244 million in May. Imports of metals and metal ores and imports of trucks showed more modest increases.

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Trading Partner Highlights

Exports

Exports to all Canada's trading partners decreased in May. Exports to the United States and "Other Countries" registered declines in February and March while showing some sign of recovery in April. However, in May, sharp declines were registered in exports to the United States, down \$374 million, and to "Other Countries", down \$229 in May. Exports to both these markets have been on a downward short-term trend for the last four months. Exports to the United Kingdom, Japan, "Other E.E.C." and "Other O.E.C.D. Countries" posted much smaller declines.

Imports

Except for an increase in imports from "Other Countries", Canada's imports from the United States, E.E.C. countries, Japan and "Other O.E.C.D. Countries" all declined in May. After the March to April turnaround, imports from the United States declined 4% or \$258 million

to \$6.0 billion. Imports from E.E.C. countries fell \$115 million while those from Japan declined by \$81 million. Partly counterbalancing these declines, imports from other countries which had advanced \$231 million in April continued to grow in May by posting an 8% or \$78 million increase to \$1.0 billion. (see tables on pages 4 and 5)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 30, 3633-3642, 3651, 3652-3678, 3685, 3686-3713, 3718 and 3719.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Summary of Canadian International Trade* (65-001, \$15/\$150), available the fourth week of July. Contact: G. Blaney (613-990-9647), Trade Information Unit, or François Bordé (613-990-9784), Trade Measures and Analysis Section, International Trade Division.

For summary information, available on the day of release, order the *Preliminary Statement of Canadian International Trade* (65-001P, \$5/\$50).

Table 1
Merchandise Trade of Canada
May 1986
Balance of Payments Basis

						Period-to-period change ²		
	Total exports ¹ raw	Imports raw	Total exports ¹ S.A. ³	Imports S.A. ³	Balance S.A. ³	Total exports ¹ S.A. ³	Imports S.A. ³	Balance S.A. ³
			\$ millions			%	%	\$ millions
1980	76,680	67,903	76,680	67,903	8,778	16.9	11.0	4,354
1981	84,432	77,140	84,432	77,140	7,292	10.1	13.6	-1,486
1982	84,560	66,739	84,560	66,739	17,822	0.2	-13.5	10,804
1983	90,702	73,054	90,702	73,054	17,648	7.3	9.5	-174
1984	112,218	91,492	112,218	91,492	20,726	23.7	25.2	3,078
1985	120,258	102,783	120,258	102,783	17,475	7.2	12.3	-3,251
1984								
First quarter	25,764	21,813	26,344	21,900	4,444	5.9	5.0	408
Second quarter	29,442	24,162	27,714	22,527	5,187	5.2	2.9	743
Third quarter	27,657	22,723	29,139	23,791	5,348	5.1	5.6	161
Fourth quarter	29,356	22,794	29,021	23,274	5,747	-0.4	-2.2	399
1985								
First quarter	28,926	23,668	29,662	24,175	5,487	2.2	3.9	-260
Second quarter	31,652	27,169	29,759	25,280	4,479	0.3	4.6	-1,008
Third quarter	28,133	25,392	29,678	26,184	3,494	-0.3	3.6	-985
Fourth quarter	31,547	26,554	31,158	27,143	4,014	5.0	3.7	520
1986								
First quarter	29,229	27,075	30,325	27,744	2,581	-2.7	2.2	-1,434
1985								
January	9,145	7,695	9,654	8,218	1,436	0.7	3.5	-209
February	9,177	7,569	9,685	7,921	1,764	0.3	-3.6	329
March	10,604	8,403	10,323	8,036	2,287	6.6	1.5	523
April	10,453	9,029	10,050	8,050	2,000	-2.6	0.2	-287
May	10,863	9,155	10,040	8,487	1,553	-0.1	5.4	-447
June	10,335	8,986	9,669	8,742	927	-3.7	3.0	-626
July	8,561	8,622	9,086	8,564	522	-6.0	-2.0	-405
August	8,983	8,203	10,083	8,770	1,313	11.0	2.4	791
September	10,589	8,567	10,510	8,850	1,660	4.2	0.9	347
October	11,206	9,245	10,710	8,841	1,869	1.9	-0.1	209
November	10,373	9,118	10,146	9,221	925	-5.3	4.3	-944
December	9,969	8,191	10,302	9,081	1,221	1.5	-1.5	296
1986								
January	10,083	9,049	10,869	9,801	1,068	5.5	7.9	-152
February	9,403	9,425	10,024	9,891	133	-7.8	0.9	-935
March	9,743	8,601	9,431	8,052	1,379	-5.9	-18.6	1,245
April	10,732	10,184	10,293	9,158	1,135	9.1	13.7	-244
May	10,247	9,322	9,593	8,763	830	-6.8	-4.3	-304
Year-to-date								
1985	50,242	41,851	49,753	40,713	9,040	11.3	10.2	1,266
1986	50,209	46,580	50,210	45,664	4,546	0.9	12.2	-4,494

¹ Total Exports = Domestic Exports + Re-exports.

² Year-to-year, quarter-to-quarter, month-to-month.

³ Seasonally Adjusted.

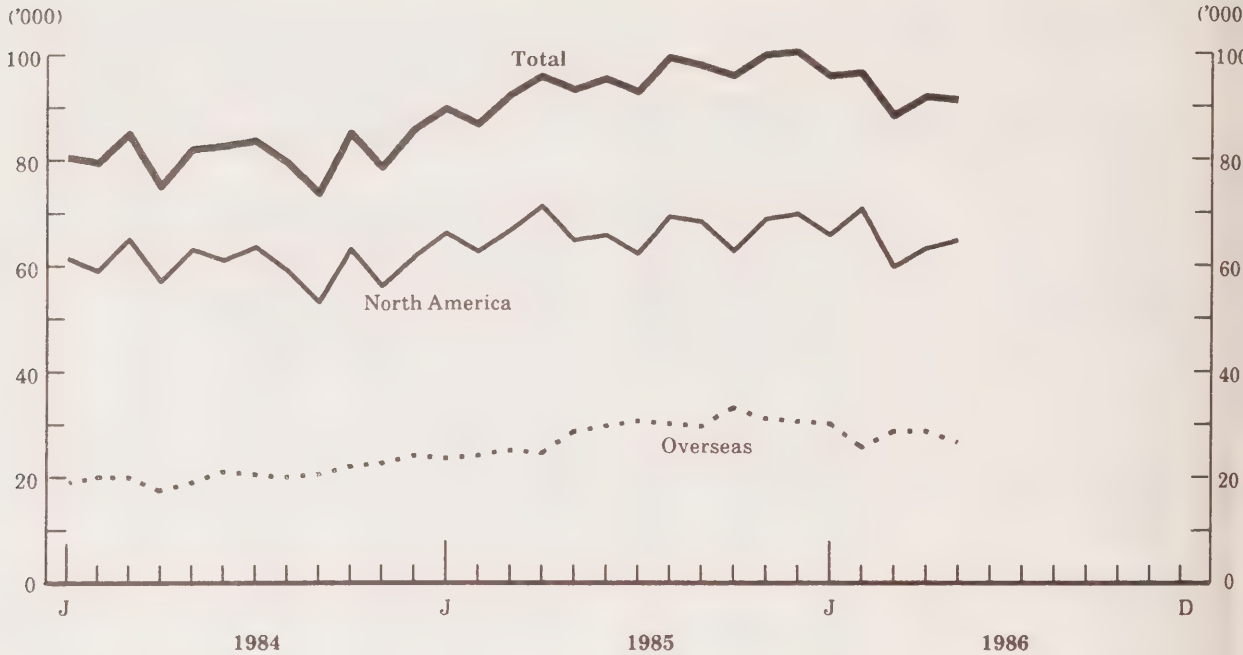
Note: Due to rounding monthly data may not add up to quarterly data and quarterly data may not add up to annual data.

Table 2
Merchandise Trade by Principal Trading Areas
May 1986
Seasonally Adjusted, Balance of Payments Basis

	Apr.	May	Period-to-period change				Year-to-date	Change over	
			Apr.	May	Apr.	May		previous year	
	\$ millions		%	%	\$ millions		\$ millions	%	\$ millions
Total exports to:									
United States	7,971.0	7,597.1	9.3	-4.7	679.3	-373.9	38,965.8	0.8	295.4
Japan	495.9	488.9	14.9	-1.4	64.2	-7.0	2,382.3	-2.6	-63.4
United Kingdom	241.2	202.6	28.0	-16.0	52.8	-38.5	1,080.0	10.2	99.5
Other EEC Countries	447.2	409.3	11.3	-8.5	45.4	-37.9	2,177.4	14.3	271.7
Other OECD Countries	157.9	144.4	-14.6	-8.5	-27.0	-13.5	897.2	-9.7	-96.9
Other Countries	979.5	750.8	5.0	-23.3	46.9	-228.6	4,707.8	-1.0	-48.5
Total	10,292.6	9,593.2	9.1	-6.8	861.5	-699.4	50,210.4	0.9	457.8
Imports from:									
United States	6,283.3	6,025.1	7.9	-4.1	462.1	-258.2	31,882.0	7.8	2,298.2
Japan	679.0	597.7	25.2	-12.0	136.8	-81.3	2,961.9	27.9	645.7
United Kingdom	249.7	232.7	20.7	-6.8	42.8	-17.0	1,527.9	54.5	539.2
Other EEC Countries	780.4	682.5	31.3	-12.5	186.1	-97.8	3,621.9	36.5	968.0
Other OECD Countries	225.2	206.0	26.3	-8.5	46.9	-19.1	1,075.1	4.7	48.3
Other Countries	940.5	1,018.5	32.6	8.3	231.4	77.9	4,595.7	10.9	452.3
Total	9,158.1	8,762.6	13.7	-4.3	1,105.9	-395.5	45,664.5	12.2	4,951.7
Balance with:									
United States	1,687.7	1,572.0			217.2	-115.7	7,083.8		-2,002.8
Japan	-183.1	-108.8			-72.5	74.3	-579.6		-709.2
United Kingdom	-8.6	-30.1			10.0	-21.5	-448.0		-439.7
Other EEC Countries	-333.1	-273.2			-140.7	59.9	-1,444.5		-696.2
Other OECD Countries	-67.3	-61.7			-73.9	5.6	-177.8		-145.2
Other Countries	38.9	-267.6			-184.5	-306.5	112.1		-500.8
Total	1,134.5	830.6			-244.4	-303.9	4,545.9		-4,493.9

Note: Prior to 1986 Portugal and Spain were not included in the EEC.

Monthly Sales of New Passenger Cars by Origin, Canada, Seasonally Adjusted, in Units, 1984-1986



New Motor Vehicle Sales

May 1986

Seasonally Adjusted Sales

Adjusted for seasonal fluctuations and the number of trading days, preliminary estimates indicate sales of all new motor vehicles totalled 126,979 units in May 1986, a moderate increase of 0.8% from the April level of 125,912 units. The May increase was due to a 4.4% gain in the sales of commercial vehicles, which more than offset a 0.5% decline in passenger car sales.

Although sales rose in May (0.8%) and April 1986 (5.5%), the number of units sold still remained significantly lower than the peak of 137,645 units registered in December 1985. This peak was reached following an average gain of 0.7% for the last five months of 1985.

On an origin basis, sales of North American built passenger cars increased for the second consecutive month, rising 2.4% in May 1986 to reach a level of 64,417 units, following a 5.3%

gain in April 1986 to 62,894 units. On the other hand, sales of imported passenger cars totalled 26,524 units in May, down 6.9% from the April level of 28,502 units. Total sales of commercial vehicles, both domestic and overseas, increased by 4.4% to 36,038 units from the April level of 34,516 units.

Unadjusted Sales

Sales of all new motor vehicles totalled 156,517 units in May 1986, down 0.3% from May 1985. The principal factor accounting for this year-over-year decline was the sales of passenger cars which fell by 4.5% to a level of 114,157 units. The decline in passenger car sales comprised a decrease of 2.9% for North American built passenger cars (to 81,723 units) and a drop of 8.4% for imported cars (to 32,434 units). Partly offsetting the 4.5% decrease recorded for passenger cars was a 12.9% rise in the sales of total commercial vehicles, which reached a level of 42,360 units.

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On a year-to-date basis, total new motor vehicle sales increased by 3.1% over the same period last year to reach 659,358 units. Sales of imported passenger cars were up 9.1% to 136,476 units from 125,106 cars sold to the end of May in 1985. Domestic cars sales declined by 3.6% to 343,722 units from 356,658 units reported during the same period last year. Commercial vehicle sales during the first five months of 1986 totalled 179,160 units, up 13.5% from the 1985 level of 157,821 units.

In terms of market share, North American manufacturers held 71.6% of the Canadian passenger car market in May 1986 (based on unit sales), up from the 70.4% share recorded in May 1985. Japanese manufacturers held a market share of 17.3%, down slightly from the 17.8% share held a year earlier. Manufacturers from "other countries" held 11.1% of the passenger car market compared to the 11.8% share registered in May 1985.

In May 1986, total unit sales increased in six provinces and declined in the other four. Compared to May 1985, increases ranged from 13.6% in British Columbia to 1.2% in Ontario. Declines varied from 8.0% in Quebec to 0.7% in Saskatchewan.

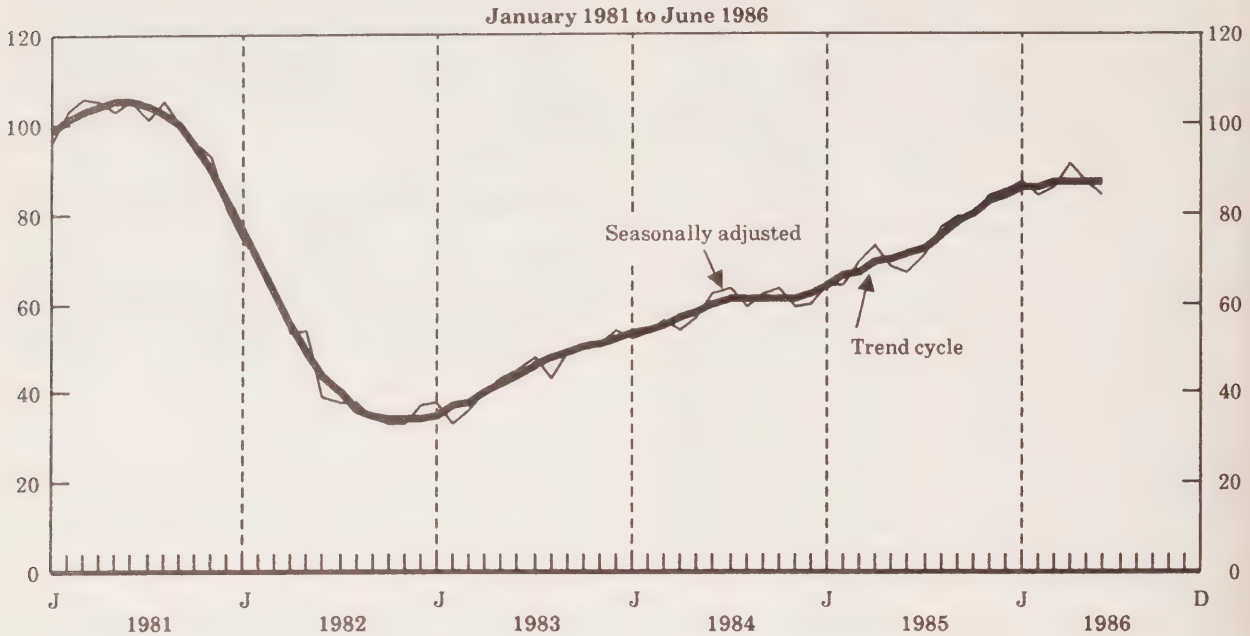
Available on CANSIM: matrix 64.

Order the May 1986 issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, \$8/\$80), available the first week of August. Contact: Maurice Massaad (613-990-9682), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

New Motor Vehicle Sales - Canada May 1986

	May 1986	Change 1986/85	January-May 1986	Change 1986/85
	Units	%	Units	%
Total New Motor Vehicles	156,517	-0.3	659,358	3.1
Passenger Cars by Origin:				
North America	81,723	-2.9	343,722	-3.6
Japan	19,773	-7.2	78,056	2.6
Other Countries	12,661	-10.1	58,420	19.2
Total	114,157	-4.5	480,198	-0.3
Commercial Vehicles by Origin:				
North America	37,765	14.9	158,747	13.5
Overseas	4,595	-1.1	20,413	13.6
Total	42,360	12.9	179,160	13.5
	Value \$000	%	Value \$000	%
Total New Motor Vehicles	2,215,706	10.4	9,226,531	13.4
Passenger Cars by Origin:				
North America	1,050,444	5.4	4,366,583	3.9
Japan	273,979	11.9	1,037,738	18.6
Other Countries	185,387	-0.5	849,692	31.1
Total	1,509,810	5.7	6,254,013	9.2
Commercial Vehicles by Origin:				
North America	642,755	21.7	2,705,687	22.3
Overseas	63,141	24.1	266,831	35.3
Total	705,896	21.9	2,972,518	23.4

Help-wanted Index, Canada (1981 = 100)



Help-wanted Index June 1986

The seasonally adjusted Help-wanted Index (1981=100) for Canada declined in June 1986 to 84 from 87 a month earlier. This second monthly decrease follows advances which began in February 1983 when the index stood at 33.

The Canada trend cycle¹ has remained at about the same level since March 1986 (see chart). Similarly, the regional trend cycles in Quebec, the Prairie provinces and British Columbia have remained practically unchanged for several months. However, the trend cycle has been declining in the Atlantic provinces since November of last year and has continued to rise in Ontario.

Virtually no changes were observed in the three-month averages between the first and second quarters of 1986 for Canada (to 87 from 86), Quebec (to 92 from 91), the Prairie provinces (to 44 from 45) and British Columbia

(to 40 from 41). Following the pattern of the trend cycle, the quarterly average declined in the Atlantic provinces (to 148 from 164) but advanced in Ontario (to 112 from 103). (see table on page 9)

¹ The trend cycle provides an indication of the direction in the demand for labour as measured by the Help-wanted Index. It is calculated by the X-11 ARIMA seasonal adjustment program. Essentially, the calculation involves a moving average which lessens irregular fluctuations in the seasonally adjusted data.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 105.

Contact: Jean-Pierre Maynard or Horst Stiebert (613-990-9900), Labour Division.

Help-wanted Index¹, Canada and Regions

(1981 = 100)

Seasonally Adjusted

Year and month	Canada	Atlantic Provinces ²	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia
1985						
June	67	117	74	84	46	28
July	71	134	76	91	43	32
August	77	156	85	95	43	33
September	79	226	77	93	43	34
October	79	162	84	93	44	35
November	84	213	83	96	39	39
December	85	216	88	95	45	39
1986						
January	87	146	93	107	43	38
February	84	205	89	98	47	41
March	86	139	90	104	46	44
April	91	145	94	119	46	41
May	87	155	96	107	43	37
June	84	144	85	111	44	41

¹ The index is calculated from help-wanted advertisements published in 18 major metropolitan area newspapers.

² The data for the Atlantic provinces sometime show large month-to-month variations which are caused by special advertisements which have been placed in the help-wanted classified section; these ads are commonly found under "Careers" in newspapers published in other areas.

New Housing Price Index

May 1986

The New Housing Price Index (1981 = 100) for Canada stood at 102.6 in May, up 0.7% from April, continuing an upward movement which has been evident for the last two months. This index of Canadian housing contractors' selling prices stands 7.8% higher than the year-earlier level. Between April and May 1986 the estimated house only index increased 0.9%, while the estimated land only index increased 0.5%.

The largest increase in May was in St. Catharines-Niagara (1.8%), while Kitchener-Waterloo registered the largest annual increase (17.9%). Southern Ontario cities continued to exhibit 12-month increases in

excess of 10%, as demand, stimulated by lower mortgage interest rates, remained at a high level and higher costs of construction materials and labour contributed to increased selling prices. Shortages of certain materials and skilled tradesmen resulting in extended delivery dates also exerted an upward pressure on housing prices.

Halifax (-0.5%) and Calgary (-0.1%) registered decreases in May as some builders lowered selling prices to stimulate sales.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 198.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60) available in September. Contact the Prices Division (613-990-9601).

New Housing Price Indexes

May 1986

(1981 = 100)

	Weights ¹ 1986	May 1986	Apr. 1986	May 1985	% change	
					May 1986/ Apr. 1986	May 1986/ May 1985
Canada Total ²	100.0	102.6	101.9	95.2	0.7	7.8
Canada						
(House only)		106.6	105.7	97.7	0.9	9.1
Canada						
(Land only)		96.3	95.8	91.3	0.5	5.5
St. John's	0.94	107.2	106.8	104.8	0.4	2.3
Halifax	2.42	123.9	124.5	121.6	-0.5	1.9
Saint John-Moncton	0.91	127.1	125.5	123.6	1.3	2.8
Quebec City	2.38	131.6	130.7	123.6	0.7	6.5
Montreal	9.97	129.8	129.7	121.9	0.1	6.5
Ottawa-Hull	6.26	129.3	129.2	126.1	0.1	2.5
Toronto	30.44	112.4	110.6	99.1	1.6	13.4
Hamilton	2.75	133.1	133.1	120.5	-	10.5
St. Catharines-Niagara	1.06	138.5	136.0	124.9	1.8	10.9
Kitchener-Waterloo	1.65	140.9	139.6	119.5	0.9	17.9
London	1.26	123.3	122.7	110.2	0.5	11.9
Windsor	0.49	114.8	113.2	103.7	1.4	10.7
Winnipeg	2.92	125.7	125.3	118.2	0.3	6.3
Regina	1.10	112.4	111.9	108.2	0.4	3.9
Saskatoon	1.50	106.1	104.4	99.9	1.6	6.2
Calgary	5.29	90.5	90.6	82.5	-0.1	9.7
Edmonton	5.79	85.3	85.2	78.7	0.1	8.4
Vancouver	19.53	73.7	73.4	72.6	0.4	1.5
Victoria	2.54	71.9	71.9	74.4	-	-3.4

¹ Surveys in Sudbury and Thunder Bay account for the remaining weight and are secured due to insufficient sample size. The survey has been discontinued in Prince George.

² It should be noted that the linking method and annually updated cityweights are such that aggregate indexes cannot be considered as the direct average of their respective associated indexes. In exceptional cases, this may cause the level of an aggregate index and its corresponding percentage change figures to fall slightly outside the range of those exhibited by the associated indexes.

- Nil.

Data Availability Announcements

Production of Eggs

May 1986

Canadian egg production increased 2.0% to 41.9 million dozen in May 1986 from 41.0 million a year earlier. The average number of layers remained the same at 23.5 million while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased to 2,135 from 2,057.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1145, 1146 and 5689-5691.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release at the end of July. Contact: Peter Beerstecher (613-990-8716), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Government Expenditures on Culture

1984-85

Preliminary advance information regarding federal, provincial and municipal government expenditures on culture in 1984-85 is now available.

Contact: N. Verma (613-993-6863), Education, Culture and Tourism Division.

Export and Import Price Indexes

May 1986

Current and fixed weighted export and import price indexes, on a balance of payments (1981=100) basis, are now available. Price indexes are listed from January 1971 to May 1986 for the seven commodity sections and 62/61 major commodity groups.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3633-3642, 3651 and 3685.

Customs based current and fixed weighted U.S. price indexes are also available. Price indexes are listed from January 1981 to May 1986 on a 1981=100 basis. Included with the U.S. commodity indexes are the 10 "All Countries" and "U.S. only" SITC section indexes.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3639-3642.

Price indexes on a 1971=100 base, Balance of Payments basis, have been terminated as of December 1985.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Summary of Canadian International Trade* (65-001, \$15/\$150), available the fourth week of July. Contact: D. Pilon or Peter Wang (613-990-9784), Price Index Unit, International Trade Division.

Publications Released

Listing of Supplementary Documents, 1985

Catalogue number 11-207

(Canada: \$5; Other Countries: \$6)

Farm Wages in Canada, May 1986

Catalogue number 21-002

(Canada: \$7/\$28; Other Countries: \$8/\$32)

The Sugar Situation, May 1986

Catalogue number 32-013

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Production and Inventories of Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder, April 1986

Catalogue number 32-024

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Electric Lamps (Light Bulbs and Tubes), May 1986

Catalogue number 43-009

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics,

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Major Releases

Labour Force Survey

June 1986

Overview

Estimates from Statistics Canada's Labour Force Survey for June 1986 indicate little change in Canadian labour market conditions. The seasonally adjusted level of employment increased by 49,000 over the previous month. The unemployment rate edged down to 9.5, after holding steady at 9.6 since last March.

Employment

The seasonally adjusted estimate of employment for the week ending June 21, 1986 was 11,663,000 – up 49,000 from the previous month's level. The 1986 Census contributed significantly to this increase, employing nearly 40,000 persons in June. Employment rose by 49,000 among young people (2,475,000), with an increase of 58,000 among females aged 15 to 24. There was no change in the level among persons 25 years of age and over (9,188,000).

Full-time employment increased by an estimated 78,000 to a level of 9,859,000. It went up by 30,000 among males and by 48,000 among females. Part-time employment declined by 29,000 to a level of 1,800,000 – with decreases occurring among both males and females.

In June 1986, the seasonally adjusted level of employment rose by an estimated 38,000 in Quebec. There was little or no change in the estimates for the remaining provinces.

Employment levels rose in agriculture (+8,000), manufacturing (+25,000), services (+46,000) and public administration (+23,000) but fell in the trade sector (-31,000) and in the finance, insurance and real estate sector (-23,000). There was little or no change in the other industries.

Unemployment

In June 1986, the seasonally adjusted estimate of unemployment increased slightly to 1,231,000. Unemployment decreased by 18,000 among females aged 15 to 24, bringing the number of unemployed young people to an

estimated 431,000 – a drop of 9,000. It rose by 16,000 among females 25 years of age and over, increasing the unemployment level to 800,000 among persons in this age group.

The seasonally adjusted estimate of the number of unemployed persons went up by 11,000 in Ontario and 5,000 in Alberta. Unemployment declined by 5,000 in Manitoba. There was little or no change in the other provinces.

Unemployment Rate

The estimated seasonally adjusted unemployment rate declined slightly (-0.1), reaching 9.5 in June 1986. The unemployment rate was an estimated 14.8 among young people, a drop of 0.6 from the previous month. It rose by 0.6 to 16.9 among males aged 15 to 24 and fell by 1.7 among females (12.6) in this age group. This is the lowest rate for females in this age group since November 1981. The unemployment rate was 8.0 among persons 25 years of age and over (+0.1). For males in this age group, the figure was 7.5, while for females it was 8.7.

The estimated unemployment rate increased by 0.6 in Newfoundland (19.1), 0.9 in Prince Edward Island (13.2), 0.7 in New Brunswick (15.3), 0.2 in Ontario (7.2) and 0.3 in Alberta (10.5). It declined by 0.2 in Quebec (10.4), 0.9 in Manitoba (7.3) and 0.2 in British Columbia (12.0). The rate remained unchanged in Nova Scotia (13.5) and in Saskatchewan (7.9).

Participation Rate

The seasonally adjusted participation rate was estimated at 65.8 in June 1986, an increase of 0.2 over the May figure. It went up by 2.1 among young females (67.5) and by 0.2 among young males (72.2). It slipped by 0.1 among males 25 years of age and over (78.1), and remained unchanged among females in this age group (52.3).

The participation rate rose by 3.1 in Prince Edward Island. There was little or no change in the other provinces.

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Employment/Population Ratio

The employment/population ratio in June 1986 was 59.5, a slight increase (+0.1) over the figure in the previous month. It rose by 1.3 among young people (59.5), as a result of an increase of 3.0 among females aged 15 to 24 (59.0). It decreased slightly among males in this age group, falling to 60.0. The employment/population ratio remained unchanged among males 25 years of age and over (72.2) and dropped by 0.2 among females (47.7), reducing the estimate for persons in this age group to 59.6.

Unadjusted Data

The unadjusted estimate of employment for June 1986 was 11,997,000 - an increase of 373,000 (+3.2%) over the June 1985 level. Unemployment fell to 1,205,000 - a decrease of 88,000 (-6.8%) from the year earlier level. The unemployment rate was 9.1, down 0.9 from the rate recorded in June 1985. The participation rate was 67.4, 0.7 above the rate of a year ago. The employment/population ratio was 61.2, up 1.2 above the ratio recorded in June 1985.

Student Data

From May to September inclusive, data on the participation of students in the labour market are being collected through the Labour Force Survey. Persons aged 15 to 24 who were attending school full-time in March 1986 are asked additional questions. The information is compiled for two categories of students: (1) those who plan to return to school in September 1986 and (2) those who do not plan to return to school at that time, or are not certain what they will do.

In June 1986, the unadjusted rate of unemployment was estimated at 14.7 for returning students aged 15 to 24, a decrease of 1.4 from the June 1985 rate. The drop was larger among persons aged 20 to 24, for whom the rate was 12.1, a decrease of 3.5 from the rate a year ago. The rate was 15.8 (-0.5) among returning students aged 15 to 19. The level of employment among returning students aged 15 to 24 was 947,000 - a substantial increase of 120,000 over the level recorded a year ago. The participation rate for this group was estimated at 62.9, an increase of 6.3 over the figure in June 1985, and the employment/population ratio was 53.7, an advance of 6.2 over the same period.

For the other students, the unadjusted unemployment rate was 18.0, a slightly lower figure than that recorded last year (-0.3). The level of employment rose to 195,000 - 10,000 more than in June 1985. The participation rate was 74.0 in June 1986, an advance of 5.4 over last year's figure. The employment/population ratio was up by 4.5 to reach its current level of 60.6.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2074, 2075, 2078-2099, 2101-2107 and table 00799999.

Order the June 1986 issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, \$20/\$200), available the third week of July. Contact: Ken Bennett (613-990-9448), Household Surveys Division.

For summary information, available on the day of release, order Labour Force Information (71-001P, \$5/\$50).

Labour Force Characteristics, Canada

	June 1986	May 1986	June 1985
Seasonally Adjusted Data			
Labour Force ('000)	12,894	12,842	12,604
Employment ('000)	11,663	11,614	11,291
Unemployment ('000)	1,231	1,228	1,313
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.5	9.6	10.4
Participation Rate (%)	65.8	65.6	65.1
Employment/Population Ratio (%)	59.5	59.4	58.3
Unadjusted Data			
Labour Force ('000)	13,201	12,924	12,918
Employment ('000)	11,997	11,696	11,624
Unemployment ('000)	1,205	1,227	1,293
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.1	9.5	10.0
Participation Rate (%)	67.4	66.0	66.7
Employment/Population Ratio (%)	61.2	59.8	60.0

Department Store Sales by Province and Metropolitan Area

May 1986

Seasonally Adjusted Sales

Adjusted for seasonal fluctuations and the number of trading days, department store sales rose 0.4% in May 1986 to a level of \$1,065 million. This increase follows a marginal decline of 0.2% in April and a strong gain of 2.5% in March. (The strong increase in March and the subsequent decline in April may have been partly due to the fact that, for the first time in eight years, Easter occurred in March.)

In terms of recent trends, department store sales during the five-month period from January to May 1986, rose on average by 0.2% each month, a moderate reduction from the average increase of 0.5% recorded in the last five months of 1985.

Unadjusted Sales

Department stores in Canada reported sales totalling \$1,084 million in May 1986, up 9.4% over the May 1985 level of \$991 million. This is the eleventh consecutive month during which, on a year-over-year basis, department store sales have increased.

Cumulative sales for the period January to May 1986 totalled \$4,419 million, up 8.2% over the corresponding period in 1985.

Department store sales during May, for the provinces and the 10 metropolitan areas surveyed, are listed in the table below (with the percentage change for May 1985 in parentheses).

(see chart on page 5)

Order the May 1986 issue of *Department Store Monthly Sales, by Province and Selected Metropolitan Area* (63-004, \$2/\$20), available the fourth week of July. Contact: Lina Di Piéto, Retail Trade Section (613-991-3551), Industry Division.

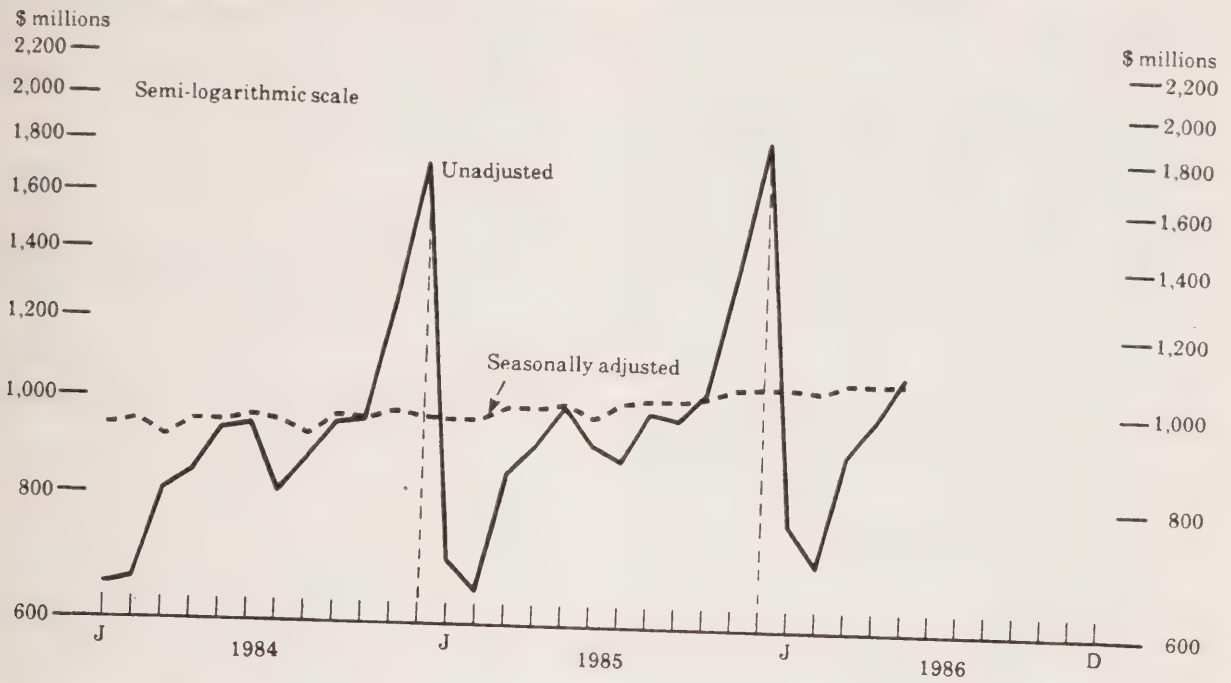
Province

Metropolitan Area

(millions of dollars)

● Newfoundland	\$12.6	(4.2%)	Calgary	\$52.5	(4.1%)
● Prince Edward Island	\$5.7	(2.8%)	Edmonton	\$63.4	(7.3%)
● Nova Scotia	\$32.9	(4.4%)	Halifax-Dartmouth	\$18.4	(2.7%)
● New Brunswick	\$22.7	(4.2%)	Hamilton	\$29.1	(10.4%)
● Quebec	\$217.4	(9.1%)	Montreal	\$126.7	(9.3%)
● Ontario	\$402.7	(12.4%)	Ottawa-Hull	\$48.7	(7.1%)
● Manitoba	\$54.7	(7.1%)	Quebec City	\$31.1	(9.0%)
● Saskatchewan	\$33.7	(6.8%)	Toronto	\$162.2	(16.4%)
● Alberta	\$138.7	(5.4%)	Vancouver	\$98.0	(12.3%)
● British Columbia	\$162.4	(9.9%)	Winnipeg	\$49.2	(6.7%)

Department Store Sales, by Month, Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted,
Canada, 1984-1986



Industrial Product Price Index

May 1986

Preliminary estimates show the Industrial Product Price Index (IPPI, 1981=100) was down 0.6% in May 1986. For the third consecutive month, the drop in petroleum and coal product prices, estimated this month at 5.5%, was the principal factor in the monthly change of the IPPI. Lumber, newsprint and motor-vehicle sectors also posted declines, primarily because of the appreciation in the Canadian dollar.

The year-over-year increase of the IPPI from May 1985 to May 1986 was 0.3% - the lowest annual rate of change observed since January 1971. The average annual rate of change in the past six months was 1.9%. Without the impact of the decline in petroleum products over the past three months this figure would have been 2.9%.

Preliminary estimates show that petroleum and coal products prices fell 5.5% in May 1986 to a level 19.4% lower than in May 1985. Primarily as a result of the 1.2% appreciation in the Canadian dollar, prices declined 2.6% for

softwood lumber, 1.1% for newsprint, and 0.9% for automobiles. It should be noted that any rise in the Canadian dollar automatically means a drop in the price of export products quoted in United States currency. (see table on page 7)

Note to Users

When the Industrial Product Price Indexes for September and October 1985 were finalised some errors were noted. These incorrect figures appeared in the March and April issues of Industry Price Indexes (62-011), and on CANSIM for the last two months. The corrected figures are now on CANSIM and will be shown in the May issue.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1960-1967 and 1970.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, \$15/\$150), available towards the end of July. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Industrial Product Price Indexes

(1981 = 100)

Index	Relative Importance ¹	Index May/86 ²	% Change	
			May '86/ Apr. '86	May '86/ May '85
Industrial Product Price Index - Total	100.0	119.0	-0.6	0.3
Intermediate goods	61.6	115.1	-0.7	-0.2
First stage intermediate goods	14.6	104.4	0.2	-0.1
Second stage intermediate goods	47.0	118.4	-0.9	-0.2
Finished goods	38.4	125.2	-0.6	1.0
Finished foods and feeds	10.3	125.3	0.3	4.1
Capital equipment	10.2	127.9	-0.2	3.2
All other finished goods	17.9	123.6	-1.2	-2.0
Aggregation by commodities:				
Meat, fish and dairy products	7.7	115.9	0.3	1.6
Fruit, vegetable, feed, miscellaneous food products	7.0	117.1	-0.1	3.3
Beverages	1.9	138.4	0.1	6.0
Tobacco and tobacco products	0.7	140.1	0.2	3.5
Rubber, leather, plastic fabric products	2.8	118.0	0.3	4.4
Textile products	2.4	111.1	0	1.4
Knitted products and clothing	2.4	116.6	0.2	2.4
Lumber, sawmill, other wood products	4.3	120.4	-1.0	9.1
Furniture and fixtures	1.5	126.1	0	3.5
Paper and paper products	8.1	115.0	-0.4	1.7
Printing and publishing	2.4	132.7	0.2	3.8
Primary metal products	8.8	107.7	0.7	0.5
Metal fabricated products	5.3	121.5	0.1	2.6
Machinery and equipment	4.8	122.1	-0.1	1.5
Autos, trucks, other transportation equipment	11.6	131.8	-0.5	3.8
Electrical and communication products	5.0	122.1	-0.1	2.6
Non-metallic mineral products	2.5	129.9	0.4	6.0
Petroleum and coal products ³	10.7	108.3	-5.5	-19.4
Chemical, chemical products	7.1	118.0	-0.3	3.1
Miscellaneous manufactured products	2.3	124.9	0.3	5.1
Miscellaneous non-manufactured commodities	0.8	94.2	0.1	-2.2

¹ Weights are derived from the "Make" matrix of the 1981 Input/Output table.

² Indexes are preliminary.

³ This index is estimated for the current month.

Raw Materials Price Index

May 1986

Preliminary estimates show the Raw Materials Price Index (RMPI, 1981=100) increased by 1.0% in May 1986 from the April level, after declining for four consecutive months. The increase was mainly attributable to an estimated 1.9% rise for the mineral fuels component index and a 1.2% increase for the animal and animal products component index. From May 1985 to May 1986 the RMPI fell 23.1%. The RMPI excluding mineral fuels showed a 0.5% increase over the month and a 1.3% increase over the year. Of the seven components making up the Raw Material Price Index, four registered increases and three decreased.

Despite the 1.9% increase for the mineral fuels component index in May, it was still 44.7% below the year-earlier figure. Crude oil prices were estimated to have risen 2.4% in May to a level that remains 52% lower than in May 1985.

A 1.2% increase was registered by the animal and animal products component index, which is now 2.1% higher than a year ago. Hog prices, up 12.1% in May and 15.6% over the year, were the main reason for the higher component index level.

Note to Users

When the Raw Materials Price Indexes for September and October 1985 were finalised some errors were noted. These incorrect figures appeared in the March and April issues of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011) and on CANSIM for the last two months. The corrected figures are now on CANSIM and will be shown in the May issue.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 1980.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, \$15/\$150), available towards the end of July. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Raw Materials Price Index

(1981=100)

	Relative Importance	Index May '86 ¹	% Change	
			May '86/ Apr. '86	May '86/ May '85
Raw materials total	100	90.9	1.0	-23.1
Mineral fuels	45	76.7	1.9	-44.7
Vegetable product	11	94.2	-0.3	-0.1
Animal and animal products	20	108.5	1.2	2.1
Wood products	8	109.0	0.9	5.0
Ferrous materials	2	110.1	-0.9	-0.5
Non-ferrous metals	11	88.4	-0.1	-2.0
Non-metallic minerals	3	127.9	0.2	2.4
Total excluding mineral fuels	55	102.7	0.5	1.3

¹ These indexes are preliminary.

Farm Cash Receipts

January-May 1986

Farm cash receipts for the January-May 1986 period were estimated at \$8,555.9 million, a decrease of 0.6% from the revised level of \$8,609.0 million for the corresponding period in 1985.

Receipts from the sale of field crops totalled \$4,043.3 million, down 6.8% from the 1985 level of \$4,339.7 million. Lower prices for all major field crops, lower Canadian Wheat Board participation payments and lower liquidations of deferred grain receipts were partially offset by higher crop insurance and Western Grain Stabilization Act payments, as well as higher wheat and barley receipts. Increased marketings of wheat, barley, tobacco and soybeans more than offset the price decline in these commodities. Cash receipts decreased for oats, rye, flaxseed, rapeseed, corn and potatoes.

Total livestock receipts decreased by 1.7% to \$3,926.3 million in 1986 from \$3,993.8 million in 1985. Receipts for cattle declined due to lower marketings and prices, while receipts for calves and hogs decreased in spite of higher prices. Receipts increased for sheep, lambs, dairy products and poultry but declined for eggs.

Other cash receipts (forest and maple products as well as provincial income stabilization, deficiency, dairy supplementary and other

supplementary payments) rose to \$586.3 million in 1986 from \$275.5 million in 1985. Higher provincial income stabilization payments in Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, and increased supplementary payments in response to drought that occurred in 1985 in these provinces, are the principal reasons for this increase.

Estimated farm cash receipts measure the gross returns to farmers from the sale of all agricultural products. They also include Canadian Wheat Board participation payments, cash advances paid on farm-stored commodities, and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board.

Realized net farm income, which takes into account producers' operating expenses and depreciation charges, will be published in a new publication, *Agriculture Economic Statistics* (21-603).

Available on CANSIM: matrices 175 and 450-459.

Order the January-May 1986 issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, (\$7/\$70) scheduled for release on July 22. This publication is also available immediately on Envoy 100, an electronic messaging system. Contact: Lambert Gauthier or Jackie LeBlanc-Cooke (613-990-8706), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January-May
(millions of dollars)

	1985 ^r	1986	% change 1986/1985
Newfoundland	16.8	16.9	0.1
Prince Edward Island	78.4	63.2	-19.4
Nova Scotia	99.5	100.7	1.2
New Brunswick	87.9	87.3	-0.7
Quebec	1,179.8	1,156.4	-2.0
Ontario	2,026.6	2,051.7	1.2
Manitoba	843.6	929.5	10.2
Saskatchewan	2,106.1	2,047.7	-2.8
Alberta	1,793.4	1,724.0	-3.9
British Columbia	376.9	378.3	0.4
Canada	8,609.0	8,555.9	-0.6

^r Revised.

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products May 1986

The index of farm prices of agricultural products (1971=100) for Canada stood at an estimated 277.0 for May 1986, up 1.0% from its revised April level of 274.2. The index of farm prices stands 7.4% lower than the year-earlier level of 299.1. May is the first month since January in which the index registered an increase.

The livestock and livestock products sub-index rose in May while the total crops sub-index registered a decrease. Higher prices for hogs, cattle, lambs and poultry led to a 1.9% increase in the total livestock and livestock products sub-index. A seasonal increase in hog prices caused the hog sub-index to rise by 9.1%.

Egg and dairy prices decreased marginally in May. The Canadian Egg Marketing Agency announced, effective May 4, a 1% per dozen decrease in producer prices in most provinces. The dairy sub-index has been declining since January 1986.

The total crops sub-index decreased by 0.5% in May. Overall prices for grains delivered to the Canadian Wheat Board were down in May as a higher proportion of lower quality grades were delivered. This contributed to a 1.1% decline in the grains sub-index. The oilseed sub-index was down 1.3% although soybean prices were higher in May than in April. Potato prices rose seasonally by 9.4%.

Provincially, the indexes in Saskatchewan and British Columbia were lower in May than in April reflecting lower grain, oilseed and egg prices in those provinces while all other provinces had higher indexes:

● Prince Edward Island	5.0%
● Nova Scotia	0.4%
● New Brunswick	3.4%
● Quebec	2.2%
● Ontario	1.5%
● Manitoba	1.1%
● Saskatchewan	-0.1%
● Alberta	0.5%
● British Columbia	-0.4%
● Canada	1.0%

The index is designed to measure (as closely as can be determined) changes in prices received by producers at the first local delivery point. Prices used in the index for Western wheat, oats and barley sold to the Canadian Wheat Board prior to August 1985 are final prices. Beginning in August 1985, initial prices are used and therefore exclude any forthcoming adjustment or final payments. Sub-indexes for livestock, crops and their components are also available on a provincial basis.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 176 and table 00190202.

Order the May issue of *Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products* (62-003, \$6/\$60), scheduled for release July 24. Contact: Paul Murray (613-990-8706), Farm Income and Prices Section, Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Railway Carloadings

May 1986

Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada totalled 21.2 million tonnes in May 1986, a decrease of 3.5% from the previous year. Railway carriers received an additional 1.1 million tonnes from the United States, a decrease of 2.9% from May 1985.

Total loadings in Canada for the year-to-date showed an increase of 1.7% from the 1985 period, while receipts from United States connections decreased by 2.8%.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 1431.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, \$7.50/\$75), to be released the last week of July. For seasonally adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact the Rail Unit (613-990-8700), Transportation Division.

Railway Financial and Operating Statistics

February 1986

Canada's seven major railways reported a combined net loss from operations of \$19.5 million in February 1986. Operating revenues of \$556.5 million were up \$5.1 million from the 1985 figure.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 142.

Order the February 1986 issue of *Railway Financial and Operating Statistics* (52-003, \$9.50/\$95), to be released the first week of August. Contact: the Rail Unit (613-990-8700), Transportation Division.

Sugar Sales

June 1986

Canadian sugar refiners reported total sales of 93 130 494 kilograms of all types of sugar in June 1986, comprising 89 707 416 kilograms in domestic sales and 3 423 078 kilograms in export sales. The 1986 cumulative year-to-date sales reported for all types of sugar totalled 500 103 960 kilograms: 473 859 687 kilograms in domestic sales and 26 244 273 kilograms in export sales.

This compares to total sales of 94 535 627 kilograms in June 1985, of which 91 911 844 kilograms were for domestic sales and 2 623 783 kilograms in export sales. The 1985 cumulative year-to-date sales reported for all types of sugar were 502 371 625 kilograms: 482 231 660 kilograms in domestic sales and 20 139 965 kilograms in export sales.

Order the June 1986 issue of *The Sugar Situation* (32-013, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 4. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics

May 1986

Roundwood production amounted to 2 367 342 cubic metres in May 1986, an increase of 5.2% from 2 250 299 cubic metres (revised figures) a year earlier. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue was reported at 7 883 909 cubic metres, an advance of 9.1% from the 7 226 864 cubic metres (revised figures) reported the previous year.

Receipts of wood residue totalled 4 071 826 cubic metres, up 4.9% from 3 882 305 cubic metres in May 1985. The closing inventory of pulpwood and wood residue totalled 18 507 712 cubic metres, a decrease of 7.1% from 19 918 153 cubic metres a year earlier.

Roundwood production in May 1986 was 16 175 100 cubic metres, an increase of 1.9% from 15 858 981 cubic metres a year earlier. Consumption of roundwood and wood residue, at 38 701 697 cubic metres was up 5.3% from 36 750 485 cubic metres in May 1985. Receipts of wood residue increased 10.1% to 220 133 297 cubic metres from the year earlier level of 18 283 109 cubic metres.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 54.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, \$5/\$50), available towards the end of July. Contact: Patrick Martin (613-991-3516), Industry Division.

Fruit and Vegetable Production 1986/1985

The 1986 preliminary estimate of area planted to vegetables in Canada, including area contracted by processors, is now available. Also available are 1985 statistics on Canadian fruit and vegetables.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1371-1386, 1388-1392, 1397-1399, 1401-1405, 5614-5620, 5623, 5624 and 5627.

Order *Fruit and Vegetable Production* (22-003, \$8/\$60), available in early August. Contact: A. Mathieson (613-991-3854), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

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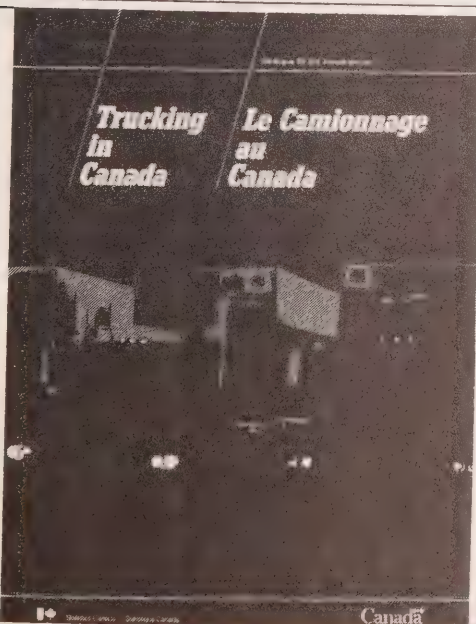
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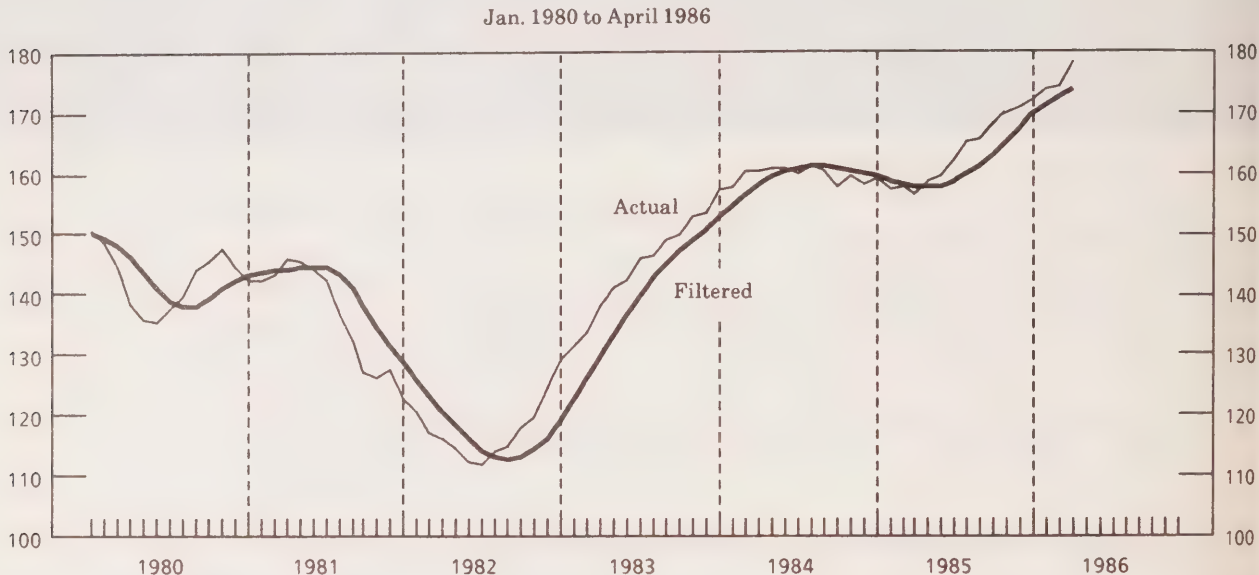
Trucking in Canada, 1984

This new publication features over 100 graphs, charts and tables in bringing together all aspects of the trucking industry in Canada. In the publication, data for the private and for-hire segments are integrated for the first time to provide an overview of the industry. Both financial and operational activities are presented. There are also special reports on the long distance freight market, international trucking, and vehicle insurance.

Order *Trucking in Canada, 1984* (53-222, \$32) available today from Publication Sales and Services (613-993-7276). For more information, call Ray Forcier, Raymond Cantin or Susan Carter (613-990-8700).

Major Releases

The Canadian Composite Leading Index (1971 = 100)



Composite Leading Indicator

April 1986

The composite leading indicator rose 1.0% to 173.6 in April 1986. The rate of advance has been virtually the same for the last eight months.

For the non-filtered index, growth had slowed considerably between December and March, but accelerated in April to 2.5%, bringing the average monthly rate of advance since January to 1.0%, equal to that recorded for previous expansions. The indicators of household demand contributed both to the December-March slowdown and to subsequent acceleration. In April, the manufacturing indicators also improved, while financial market indicators remained mixed.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 161.

Order the monthly *Current Economic Indicators* (13-005, \$10/\$100). This publication also contains the *Monthly Economic Review* that formerly appeared in the Daily. The July issue of this publication will be released on the 18th of this month. For further information on data published in this issue and the next release dates, or about ordering, contact G. Proulx (613-990-9163). For general information contact P. Cross (613-990-9162), Econometric Analysis Division.

Canadian Leading Indicators

	% Change						Level
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	April
Composite leading index (1971 = 100)							
Filtered	1.20	1.19	1.03	1.02	.87	1.0	173.56
Unfiltered	1.21	.73	.07	1.57	.00	2.46	178.2
Retail Trade							
Furniture and appliance sales	1.13	1.11	.62	.30	.16	.19	120,066 ⁴
New motor vehicle sales	1.60	2.56	1.21	.56	-1.61	-1.75	739,652 ⁴
Residential construction index¹	2.38	-.31	-.52	.56	-.62	1.06	94.86
Manufacturing							
New orders – durable	-.15	.00	-.84	-.53	-1.43	-.69	3,430 ⁵
Shipment to inventory ratio – (Finished goods) ²	.003	.008	.01	.009	.003	.01	1.69
Average workweek (Hours)	.14	.09	.08	-.03	-.11	-.09	38.92
Percentage change in price per unit labour cost ²	.038	.033	.032	.048	.046	.057	-.09
United States composite leading index (1972 = 100)	.48	.58	.53	.57	.60	.71	175.09
TSE 300 stock price index (Excluding oil and gas)	.58	1.28	1.52	1.85	2.87	3.46	2,918
Money supply (M1) (\$1971)³	.71	.63	.25	-.08	-.22	-.56	10,313.8 ⁵

¹ Composite index of housing starts (units) building permits (constant dollars) and mortgage loan approvals (numbers). Because of the unavailability of the actual level of mortgage loan approvals, a forecast was used in the computation of the residential index for the two last months.

² Difference from previous month.

³ Deflated by the consumer price index for all items.

⁴ Thousands of 1971 dollars.

⁵ Millions of 1971 dollars.

Local Government Employment First Quarter 1986

Employees of the local government sector (including government enterprises) numbered 872,297 as of March 1986, an overall increase of 12,531 (1.5%) from March 1985. General government employees (including those with hospitals and local school boards) increased by 11,649 (1.4%) from the 813,663 reported in March 1985 and those in government enterprises increased by 882 (1.9%) from the 46,103 reported in March 1985.

The rise in general government employment reflected increases of 8,341 (1.8%) in local school boards, 2,150 (3.7%) in hospitals and 1,158 (0.4%) in local government services. Most of the increase in local school boards was due to a widespread growth of teaching and non-teaching staff in Ontario and Alberta. The increase for hospitals was due primarily to increased employment in Alberta and Ontario, particularly at the Bow Island General Hospital, the Royal Alexandra Hospital, the

Medicine Hat and District Hospital, the Ottawa Civic Hospital and the Hamilton Civic Hospital. The increase in local government services occurred mainly in Ontario and Alberta. The increase in local government enterprises was mainly in public transit systems in Alberta, Quebec and Ontario.

The local government gross payroll (including overtime and retroactive payments) for January-March 1986 totalled \$5,787.2 million, an increase of \$245.5 million (4.4%) from the corresponding quarter in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: general government monthly data (excluding hospitals and school boards) by province and territory are located in matrix 2725, and that for municipalities over 10,000 population by metropolitan area and major urban area in matrix 2726.

The January-March 1986 issue of *Local Government Employment* (72-009, \$10/\$40), will be released July 31. Contact: M. Fathy or C. Doucet (613-991-1843/6), Public Institutions Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin

July 1986

Highlights from the latest issue of the *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* include the following:

- Advance operational data for April 1986 show that passenger-kilometres for major Canadian air carriers increased by 3.8% over April 1985. (Available on CANSIM: matrix 385.)
- Air passenger origin and destination data for 1985 indicate that 11.9 million passengers travelled on domestic scheduled services, up 0.3% from 1984. The number of passengers travelling between Canada and the United States dropped to 6.84 million, down 0.4% compared to 1984.
- Scheduled passenger traffic at the top 30 Canadian airports increased by 2.3% for the first nine months of 1985 as compared to the same period in 1984.
- Charter passenger traffic between Canada and Southern destinations rose 12.6% during the fourth quarter of 1985 relative to the previous year.

Order the Vol. 18, No. 6 issue of *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), available next week. Contact: the Aviation Statistics Centre (819-997-1986), Transportation Division.

Air Charter Statistics

Fourth Quarter 1985

Preliminary air charter statistics for the fourth quarter of 1985 show that the number of passengers travelling on domestic charter services decreased to 61,595 passengers, down 11.0% from the fourth quarter of 1984. Significant decreases were recorded between Kelowna-Vancouver, Toronto-Calgary, Toronto-Vancouver and Toronto-Winnipeg.

However, the number of passengers travelling on international charters rose 8.2% to 686,959 – relative to the same period in 1984. Traffic to the United States (up 28,480 from a year earlier) and to Southern destinations (up 21,133 passengers) accounted for approximately 94% of the total increase for the international sector.

Order the Vol. 18, No. 6 issue of the *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), available the second week of July. Contact: C. Walsh (819-997-6173), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation Division.

Electric Lamps

June 1986

Canadian light bulb and tube manufacturers sold 17,834,001 light bulbs and tubes in June 1986, a decrease of 3.3% from the 18,440,525 units sold a year earlier.

Year-to-date sales for 1986 amounted to 120,378,392 light bulbs and tubes, down 4.6% from the 126,197,441 sold during the January-June period in 1985.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Electric Lamps* (43-009, \$4/\$40), available the week of July 21. Contact: Aldo Diaz (613-991-3523), Industry Division.

Grain Marketing Situation Report

June 1986

The situation report for June is now available. This report presents up-to-date information on the Canadian and world grain supply and market situation.

Contact: Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Room 600, 266 Graham Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4.

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**Production, Shipments and
Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in
British Columbia, April 1986**

Catalogue number 35-003

(Canada: \$6/\$60; Other Countries: \$7/\$70)

Trucking in Canada, 1984

Catalogue number 53-222

(Canada: \$32; Other Countries: \$33.50)

**Oil Pipe Line Transport,
March 1986**

Catalogue number 55-001

(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

**Industrial Corporations: Financial
Statistics, First Quarter 1986**

Preliminary Data

Catalogue number 61-003P

(Canada: \$15/\$60; Other Countries: \$16/\$64)

**Consumer Prices and Price
Indexes, January-March 1986**

Catalogue number 62-010

(Canada: \$15/\$60; Other Countries:
\$16.50/\$66)

Construction in Canada, 1984-1986

Catalogue number 64-201

(Canada: \$35; Other Countries: \$36)

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Tuesday, July 15, 1986

Major Releases

Construction Building Material Price Index: Residential, May 1986

- Prices increased 9.0% from a year earlier, the highest 12-month change since July 1983

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Construction Building Material Price Index: Non-residential, May 1986

- The index rose 0.1% from the preceding month and 5.9% from May 1985

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Major Releases

Construction Building Material Price Index: Residential

May 1986

The residential construction building material price index increased to 129.5 in May, up 0.2% from April and 9.0% from the previous year. This is the highest year-over-year increase since July 1983 when the 12-month change was 9.3%.

Between April and May 1986, the largest price increases were for roof trusses and gypsum wallboard which more than offset price decreases for lumber and plywood.

Between May 1985 and May 1986, structural materials advanced 13.7%, followed by architectural materials (8.8%), mechanical materials (3.8%) and electrical materials (1.4%).

Available on CANSIM: matrix 423.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in August. Contact: the Information Service (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Construction Building Material Price Indexes: Residential

(1981=100)

	May 1986	Apr. 1986	May 1985	% Change	
				May 1986/ Apr. 1986	May 1986/ May 1985
Total materials	129.5	129.2	118.8	0.2	9.0
Architectural materials	129.0	128.7	118.6	0.2	8.8
Structural materials	134.2	133.9	118.0	0.2	13.7
Mechanical materials	127.4	127.4	122.7	-	3.8
Electrical materials	118.8	118.7	117.2	0.1	1.4

- Nil.

Construction Building Material Price Index: Non-residential May 1986

The non-residential construction building material price index rose to 125.8 in May, up 0.1% from April and 5.9% from the previous year.

Between April and May 1986, the largest price increases were for gypsum wallboard and foamed and expanded plastics which more than offset price decreases for lumber and plywood.

Between May 1985 and May 1986, structural materials increased 9.7%, followed by architectural materials (5.9%), mechanical materials (3.5%) and electrical materials (1.8%).

Available on CANSIM: matrix 423.

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Construction Building Material Price Indexes: Non-residential (1981 = 100)

	May 1986	Apr. 1986	May 1985	% Change	
				May 1986/ Apr. 1986	May 1986/ May 1985
Total materials	125.8	125.7	118.8	0.1	5.9
Architectural material	127.2	127.0	120.1	0.2	5.9
Structural materials	125.6	125.6	114.5	-	9.7
Mechanical materials	127.5	127.4	123.2	0.1	3.5
Electrical materials	119.3	118.9	117.2	0.3	1.8

- Nil.

Data Availability Announcements

Retail Chain and Department Stores 1984

Retail chain organizations in Canada had sales totalling \$38.9 billion in 1984, up 9.7% over the 1983 figure of \$35.4 billion. Department store organizations recorded an increase of 5.2% in annual sales, totalling \$11.6 billion in 1984.

The number of chain organizations in Canada increased by 90 to 1,235 in 1984. The maximum number of chain store outlets operating during the year rose by 2,059 to 30,261 stores. The number of department store organizations remained constant at 24 firms while the maximum number of outlets operating during the year increased by 10 to 819 stores in 1984.

The publication, *Retail Chain and Department Stores*, 1984 presents detailed information on these types of organizations and contains data for selected localities, certain kinds of business, floor areas, various financial statistics and tables on department store organizations classified by type, i.e. "major" and "junior" department stores.

Order *Retail Chain and Department Stores*, 1984 (63-210, \$25), available the last week of September. Contact: Karen Wardley (613-991-3552) or Michelle Brisebois (613-991-3557), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Oil Pipeline Transport April 1986

Net receipts of crude oil, condensates, pentanes plus, liquefied petroleum gases and petroleum products through Canadian oil pipelines during April 1986 decreased 9.4% to 11 304 292 cubic metres from 12 472 949 cubic metres for the same month of 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 181.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Oil Pipeline Transport* (55-001, \$8/\$80), available the fourth week of July. Contact: G. O'Connor (613-991-3562), Industry Division.

Railway Carloadings

Nine Days Ending June 30, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the nine days ending June 30, 1986 totalled 5.5 million tonnes, an increase of 0.2% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 24 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release this week. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron June 1986

Preliminary steel ingot production for June 1986 totalled 1 207 000 tonnes, a decrease of 4.9% from 1 269 474 tonnes the previous year.

Preliminary pig iron production was 766 000 tonnes in June 1986, down 8.4% from the 836 659 tonnes produced a year earlier.

Year-to-date steel ingot production totalled 7 256 464 tonnes, a decrease of 0.7% from the 7 309 867 tonnes for January-June 1985.

Year-to-date pig iron production totalled 4 713 523 tonnes, a decrease of 3.2% from the 4 867 421 tonnes for the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 58 (level 2, series 3).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, \$4/\$40), available at the end of August. Contact: G.W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

International Seaborne Shipping Statistics 1985

Final statistics on international seaborne shipping for 1985 are now available. The publication *International Seaborne Shipping Statistics, 1985* (54-209, \$74) is scheduled for release in August 1986.

Contact: Jeanine Bustros (613-990-8696), Marine Transport Unit, Transportation Division.

Coastwise Shipping Statistics 1985

Final coastwise shipping statistics for 1985 are now available. The publication *Coastwise Shipping Statistics, 1985* (54-210, \$42) is scheduled to be released in August.

Contact: Gaston Levesque (613-990-8696), Marine Transport Unit, Transportation Division.



Publications Released

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, June 1, 1986

Catalogue number 32-010

(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$90/\$90)

Passenger Bus and Urban Transit

Statistics, March 1986

Catalogue number 53-003

(Canada: \$6.50/\$65; Other Countries:
\$7.50/\$75)

Culture Communiqué, Vol. 9, No. 4:

The Recording Industry, 1984

Catalogue number 87-001

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Canadian Social Trends

Canadian Social Trends presents a new concept in data release by Statistics Canada – identifying, describing and interpreting major social and demographic trends affecting Canadian society. The quarterly publication features articles written in non-technical language complemented by easy-to-read charts and tables, as well as a table of key social indicators.

This first issue of *Canadian Social Trends* includes feature articles describing the changing nature of Canadian families, the home entertainment revolution, and the shift in health risks. Another article provides an overview of the legal profession. As well, shorter trend reports focus on family day care, births outside of marriage, and the potential population decline that may be just a generation away.

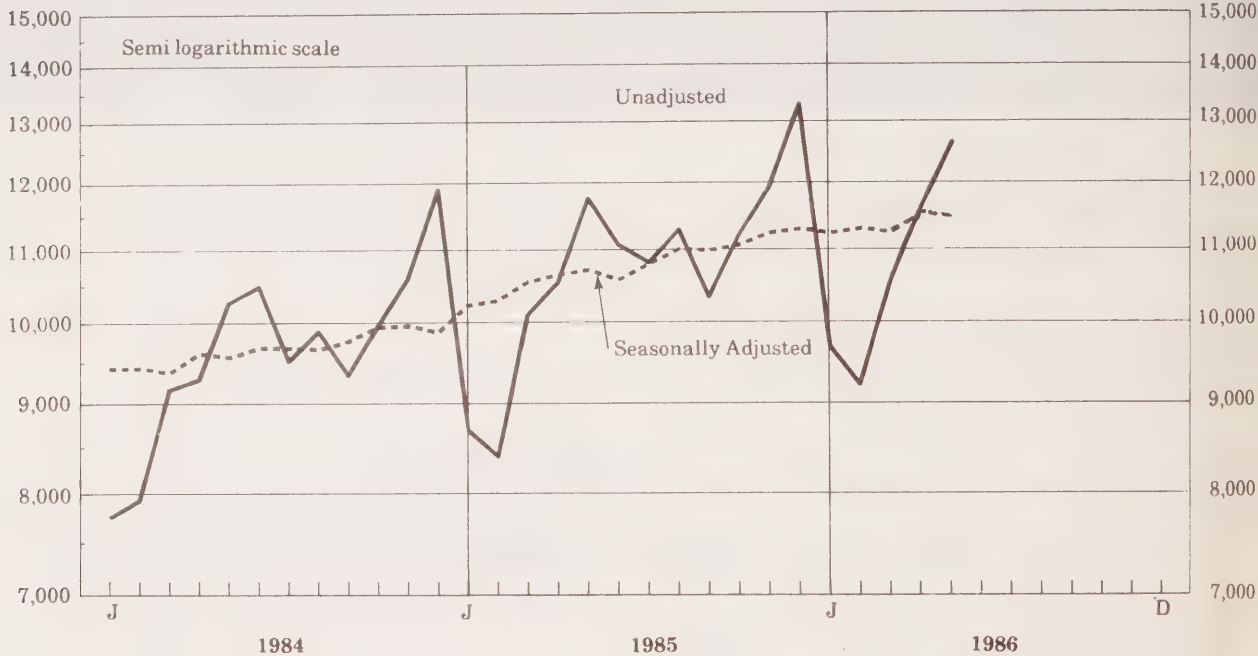
Order *Canadian Social Trends* (11-008E, 4 issues/\$44), now available from Publication Sales and Services (613-993-7276).

Major Releases

Monthly Retail Trade, Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted, Canada, 1984-1986

\$ millions

\$ millions



Retail Trade

May 1986

Seasonally Adjusted Sales

- Adjusted for seasonal fluctuations and the number of trading days, preliminary estimates indicate retail sales totalled \$11,538 million (not adjusted for price change) in May 1986, a marginal decline of 0.2% from the previous month's revised total of \$11,558 million.
- In terms of recent trends, during the five-month period from January to May 1986, retail sales advanced on average by 0.5% on a monthly basis, a significant reduction from the 0.9% average increase recorded in the last five months of 1985.

- The most significant impact on the overall 0.2% decline in retail trade in May 1986 was attributed to motor vehicle dealers, where sales were down 1.8% and combination stores, down 0.8% from April 1986. Partly offsetting the impact of these decreases were increases for the following trade groups: grocery, confectionery and sundries stores (+2.1%), florists (+21.9%), general merchandise stores (+3.1%) and service stations (+0.8%). The 0.8% rise in sales by service stations was the first monthly increase since January 1986. Department store sales rose 0.4% in May following a decline of 0.2% in April 1986.

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- Excluding new and used motor vehicle dealers, retail trade rose 0.3% in May 1986 following increases of 0.6% in April and 1.5% in March.
- On a provincial basis, retail sales declines in Ontario (-1.0%), Newfoundland (-0.6%) and Prince Edward Island (-1.8%) had the largest impact on the decrease at the national level. Partly offsetting these decreases were increases in Alberta (+0.5%) and New Brunswick (+2.1%).

Unadjusted Sales

- Total retail trade for May 1986 rose 8.0% or \$949 million over the same month last year, totalling \$12,713 million (not adjusted for price change). Cumulative retail sales for the first five months of 1986 amounted to \$53,755 million, up 8.6% over the corresponding period in 1985.
- Year-over-year comparisons showed increases for food stores (+10.5%) and motor vehicle dealers (5.8%) – two groups which in total account for approximately 50% of total retail sales. Department store sales, which totalled \$1,084 million in May 1986,

were up 9.3% over the same month a year earlier. (This was the eleventh consecutive month during which, on a year-over-year basis, department stores sales have increased.) Sales by service stations declined by 1.8% from the May 1985 level.

- On a provincial basis, most of the year-over-year growth registered in May 1986 was concentrated in Ontario (+8.2%), Quebec (+9.1%) and British Columbia (+8.5%). New Brunswick, at 10.2%, also posted a significant gain.
- At the metropolitan level, the following sales gains were recorded: Vancouver (+11.4%), Toronto (+11.3%), Montreal (+9.2%) and Winnipeg (+7.3%).
(see table on page 4)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2300-2304, 2306-2313, 2315-2317, 2320 and 2321.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, \$14/\$140), available the third week of August. Contact: Lina Di Piétro (613-991-3551) or Maurice Massaad (613-990-9682), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Retail Trade, Canada, by Kind of Business

Kind of business	Unadjusted sales all stores				Seasonally adjusted sales all stores				
	May '85	Apr. '86 ^r	May '86 ^p	May '86/'85	Feb. '86 ^r	Mar. '86 ^r	Apr. '86 ^r	May '86 ^p	May '86 / Apr. '86
	(millions of \$)			%	(millions of \$)				%
Combination stores (groceries and meat)	2,131.3	1,997.0	2,285.3	7.2	2,018.1	2,014.3	2,070.9	2,053.6	-0.8
Grocery, confectionery and sundries stores	526.7	567.9	642.2	21.9	576.6	576.4	591.3	603.7	2.1
All other food stores	203.8	207.3	235.9	15.7	208.2	214.9	210.7	216.2	2.6
Department stores	990.6	976.9	1,083.5	9.3	1,037.1	1,062.8	1,060.8	1,065.1	0.4
General merchandise stores	221.5	224.5	248.4	12.1	222.2	239.3	238.5	245.8	3.1
General stores	181.4	167.1	187.0	3.0	174.5	175.7	175.6	170.8	-2.7
Variety stores	106.3	95.8	111.2	4.5	106.1	112.6	106.6	106.8	0.2
Motor vehicle dealers	2,700.0	2,868.4	2,857.3	5.8	2,350.8	2,159.4	2,389.9	2,346.6	-1.8
Used car dealers	71.2	79.4	80.5	13.1	59.6	61.6	65.1	64.1	-1.7
Service stations	946.3	852.4	928.7	-1.8	933.5	919.6	903.4	910.6	0.8
Garages	142.8	139.4	145.2	1.6	125.4	124.9	135.8	132.6	-2.4
Automotive parts and accessories stores	290.1	257.4	310.2	6.9	244.8	254.1	249.5	248.7	-0.3
Men's clothing stores	118.8	106.4	127.4	7.1	112.4	114.7	116.9	115.9	-0.8
Women's clothing stores	246.8	248.2	263.8	6.8	237.6	242.6	247.6	243.2	-1.8
Family clothing stores	154.7	159.0	173.7	12.2	165.4	167.9	165.9	168.3	1.5
Specialty shoe stores	19.4	19.8	21.5	10.9	18.0	18.5	19.1	19.2	0.6
Family shoe stores	101.3	103.8	109.7	8.2	94.0	97.4	101.6	96.0	-5.5
Hardware stores	119.3	100.2	132.1	10.7	102.0	103.1	107.2	104.8	-2.2
Household furniture stores	132.7	135.2	145.8	9.8	135.1	138.0	140.7	139.0	-1.3
Household appliance stores	44.6	46.6	51.2	14.8	50.1	52.2	51.5	51.0	-1.0
Furniture, TV, radio and appliance stores	90.7	89.8	102.9	13.3	93.5	95.7	98.1	101.8	3.7
Pharmacies, patent medicine and cosmetics stores	435.2	471.8	496.4	14.0	489.7	488.0	494.5	497.8	0.7
Book and stationery stores	50.7	52.6	57.9	14.2	61.5	63.3	63.0	64.6	2.5
Florists	59.9	38.2	63.1	5.3	41.2	49.3	33.6	41.0	21.9
Jewellery stores	73.0	61.7	80.8	10.6	82.4	80.9	82.9	83.4	0.7
Sporting goods and accessories stores	216.6	186.4	232.3	7.2	159.5	160.5	164.6	164.8	0.2
Personal accessories stores	130.6	134.1	154.1	17.9	151.4	154.4	156.5	159.4	1.9
All other stores	1,257.5	1,202.5	1,384.8	10.1	1,270.5	1,326.4	1,316.4	1,322.7	0.5
All stores - Total	11,763.7	11,589.7	12,712.9	8.0	11,321.1	11,268.5	11,558.2	11,537.5	-0.2

^p Preliminary.

^r Revised.

Building Permits

April 1986

The seasonally adjusted value of building permits issued by Canadian municipalities declined to \$1,926.3 million in April 1986, down 2.1% from \$1,967.9 million in March. The decline was attributed to a slight decrease in the residential sector combined with a moderate drop in the non-residential sector.

The seasonally adjusted value of residential permits slipped -0.1% to \$1,090.3 million in April from \$1,091.6 million in March. However, the performance recorded by the residential sector during the first four months of 1986 was at the highest level since 1977. In April, permits issued for the single-family dwelling sector increased while those for the multi-family dwelling sector declined. On a seasonally adjusted basis, 17,449 units were approved (9,703 single detached and 7,746 multiple dwellings), up 1.6% from 17,168 units authorized in March (9,293 single detached and 7,875 multiple dwellings). In annual terms,

these approvals represent 209,400 units in April and 206,000 units in March. The provinces of Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia registered lower levels of intentions in April compared to the previous month.

The seasonally adjusted value of non-residential projects declined for the first time this year to \$836.0 million in April, down 4.6% from \$876.3 million in March. The industrial (-17.1%) and commercial (-5.7%) components were responsible for this decrease while the governmental component progressed substantially (+7.8%). On a provincial basis both the Prairies and British Columbia recorded significant gains in April.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 129, 137, 443, 989-991, 994, 995 and 4073.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, \$20/\$200), scheduled for release the last week of August. Contact: Gaétan Lemay (613-990-9689), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division.

Building Permits Issued in Canada

	Unadjusted				Adjusted				% change	
	April 1986	March 1986	April 1985	March 1985	April ¹ 1986	March 1986	April 1985	March 1985	April '86/ March '86	April '86/ April '85
	(\$ millions)									
Residential	1,342.9	1,079.9	1,092.0	769.8	1,090.3	1,091.6	828.5	774.4	-0.1	31.6
Industrial	145.4	129.6	309.9	98.5	145.9	175.9	294.9	135.9	-17.1	-50.5
Commercial	411.2	423.5	390.4	258.8	455.8	483.1	391.4	293.8	-5.7	16.5
Institutional and governmental	205.7	187.8	155.3	146.8	234.3	217.3	169.7	165.4	7.8	38.1
Total	2,105.2	1,820.8	1,947.6	1,273.9	1,926.3	1,967.9	1,684.5	1,369.5	-2.1	14.4

Data include an estimate of late returns.

Sales of Refined Petroleum Products

May 1986

Highlights

- Preliminary figures indicate that sales of refined petroleum in May 1986 amounted to 6,530,100 cubic metres, down 3.0% from a year earlier. Year-to-date sales stood at 30,780,300 cubic metres, down 2.0% from January-May 1985.
- Sales for the 12-month period ending May 1986 totalled 76,961,800 cubic metres, a decrease of 0.3% from the previous 12-month period ending April 1986. This decline represents a continuation of the slightly contracting market that has been apparent since mid-1983 when the 12-month figure for the period ending in June stood at 79,454,000 cubic metres. In contrast, the period preceding this gradual contraction was marked by a substantial drop from the peak 12-month figure of 102,846,000 cubic metres recorded in October 1979.

- Most major products continued to experience relatively stable sales – motor gasoline, at 32,562,000 cubic metres for the year ending May 1986, was up 0.1% from the year ending April 1986; light fuel oil at 6,893,000 cubic metres was up 0.2% and heavy fuel oil at 5,522,000 cubic metres, increased 2.3%. Diesel oil reached 15,112,000 cubic metres – the only major product registering an absolute gain over the sales figures for 1983.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 628-641 and 644-647.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, \$15/\$150), available the second week of August. Contact: Gérard O'Connor (613-991-3562), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Financial Statistics of Canadian Universities

1984-85

Expenditures of Canadian universities totalled \$5.8 billion in 1984-85, up 5.4% over the previous year. This rise marks the smallest percentage increase in over a decade and continues a spending slowdown which began in 1983-84. (After recording annual increases of more than 13% in the early 1980s, the increase in expenditures decelerated to 6.7% in 1983-84.)

A significant drop in capital expenditures and restrictive budgetary measures in several provinces are partly responsible for this recent slackening in university spending. For example, for the second consecutive year in British Columbia, and for the first time ever in Newfoundland, university operating revenues from provincial governments decreased 4.2% (in British Columbia) and 1.6% (in Newfoundland) in 1984-85. Nationally there was an average increase of 3.5%.

Order *Education Statistics*, Vol.8, No.4: *Financial Statistics of Canadian Universities*, 1984-85 (81-002, \$4/\$40), available today. Contact: François Gendron (613-991-1509), Education, Culture and Tourism Division. Additional financial data are available in the publication *University Finance Trend Analysis* (81-260).

Periodical Publishing Survey

1984

Preliminary data on periodical publishing in Canada for 1984 are now available. A dissemination package will be released shortly.

Contact: Marie Lavalley-Farah (613-991-1567), Culture Sub-division, Education, Culture and Tourism Division.

Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings

May 1986

Steel pipe and tubing production for May 1986 totalled 105 110 tonnes, a decrease of 14.5% from the 122 993 tonnes produced a year earlier.

Year-to-date production totalled 578 506 tonnes, down 9.5% from the 639 101 tonnes produced during the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 35.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings* (41-011, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of July 21. Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Stocks of Frozen Poultry Products

July 1, 1986

Preliminary cold storage of frozen poultry products at July 1, 1986 and revised figures for June 1, 1986 are now available.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5675-5677.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release July 31. Contact: P. Beerstecher (613-990-8716), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Exports by Commodities

May 1986

Commodity-country export trade statistics for May 1986 are now available on microfiche, computer printouts or magnetic tapes in advance of the monthly publication.

Available on CANSIM (for selected information): matrices 3686-3713 and 3719.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, \$50/\$500), available the last week of May 1986. Contact: G. L. Blaney (613-990-9647), International Trade Division.

Publications Released

Canadian Social Trends, Summer 1986
Catalogue number 11-008E
(Canada: \$44; Other Countries: \$50)

Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production,
March 1986
Catalogue number 26-006
(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

International Travel – Advance Information,
May 1986 **Catalogue number 66-001P**
(Canada: \$5/\$50; Other Countries: \$6/\$60)

Education Statistics Bulletin,
Vol. 8, No. 4: **Financial Statistics of Canadian Universities, 1984-85**
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Major Releases

Gross Domestic Product

First Quarter 1986

Gross domestic product, seasonally adjusted at annual rates, rose to \$495.6 billion in the first quarter, up 1.0% from the fourth quarter of 1985. In constant 1981 dollars, real GDP rose 0.6%, following an average quarterly gain of about 0.9% in the previous four quarters.

After three quarters of relatively strong growth of almost 1.5%, final domestic demand, in real terms, levelled off, with all components showing little change. Real net exports declined moderately. Accompanying this weak demand, there was substantial stock accumulation.

The volume of personal expenditure on goods and services rose 0.3%, following a 1.1% gain in the fourth quarter. Consumption of services increased 1.4%, while spending on goods declined due to lower purchases of a wide range of products, particularly energy and automotive products. The drop in spending on total durable goods was the first quarterly decline since the current expansion which began in 1983.

Total business investment in fixed capital declined 1.1%, the largest quarterly decline in the current expansion. Residential construction dropped 1.5%, while investment in plant and equipment fell almost 1%. The decline in housing expenditures largely reflected lower real estate commissions. The slack in business investment, which originated from lower demand for machinery and equipment, left the volume of business investment almost unchanged from its average in 1985.

Investment in non-farm business inventories rose by \$5.8 billion, at 1981 prices, in the first quarter, up from the \$1.4 billion accumulation last quarter. Most of the upturn originated in trade, with little change in manufacturing stocks.

Exports of goods and services in real terms, changed marginally in the first quarter, and from a year earlier. Lower shipments to the United States of motor vehicles and energy products accompanied declining exports of food

Note to users:

Revised estimates of the Income and Expenditure Accounts, covering the period from 1961 to 1985 are released with the results for the first quarter of 1986. The revisions reflect statistical changes resulting from revised source data and seasonal patterns, improved estimation methodologies and a shift in the base year from 1971 to 1981 for the series at constant price. The data are presented under a new format with the focus on GDP as the main aggregate.

products overseas. Demand for forestry and paper products firmed in the quarter to offset these declines. Imports of goods and services grew by 0.7% in volume in the quarter.

Labour income rose 1.2%, largely due to employment growth; the increase was the smallest since the first quarter of 1983. The share of labour income in GDP stayed about 53%, the lowest level since the 1960's. Personal income was up 2.0%, while higher income taxes slowed the growth of personal disposable income to 1.7%. The personal savings rate remained at about 12% in the quarter.

Corporate profits before taxes declined by 13.2%. Virtually all of the drop originated in the mineral fuels and petroleum and coal industries.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 6701-6741, 6641-6642.

A printout containing all tables is also available on the day of release from the Gross National Product Division (\$35/\$140).

Order the first quarter 1986 issue of *National Income and Expenditure Accounts* (13-001, \$15/\$60) scheduled for release the third week of August, 1986, or contact Barbara Clift (613-990-9158), Gross National Product Division.

Gross Domestic Product, Income Based
(Seasonally Adjusted at Annual Rates)

	1985 I	II	III	IV	1986 I	IV'85 III'85	I'86 IV'85
	(\$ millions)					% Change	
Wages, salaries and supplementary labour income ¹	249,236	253,312	258,092	261,636	264,812	1.4	1.2
Corporation profits before taxes ²	46,824	44,964	47,548	50,776	44,068	6.8	-13.2
Interest and miscellaneous investment income ²	39,324	39,744	39,480	41,848	43,640	6.0	4.3
Accrued net income of farm operators from farm production	3,724	5,520	3,372	3,716	3,704	10.2	-0.3
Net income of non-farm unincorporated business, including rent	26,704	27,824	29,500	30,316	30,784	2.8	1.5
Inventory valuation adjustment	-2,728	-2,088	-1,392	-2,452	-1,700	-1060 ³	752 ³
Net domestic income at factor cost	363,084	369,276	376,600	385,840	385,308	2.5	-0.1
Indirect taxes less subsidies	45,412	46,572	47,340	49,360	52,560	4.3	6.5
Capital consumption allowances	52,528	53,584	54,172	54,616	56,104	0.8	2.7
Statistical discrepancy	2,408	1,540	2,068	1,044	1,636		
Gross Domestic Product at market prices	463,432	470,972	480,180	490,860	495,608	2.2	1.0

¹ Includes military pay and allowances

² These aggregates differ from those shown in earlier tables in that they are on a "domestic" basis and thus include interest and dividends paid to non-residents and exclude interest and dividends received from non-residents.

³ Actual change in millions of dollars.

Gross Domestic Product, Expenditure Based
(Seasonally Adjusted at Annual Rates)

	1985 I	II	III	IV	1986 I	IV'85 III'85	I'86 IV'85
	At current prices (\$ millions)				% Change		
Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services ¹	265,156	270,516	278,540	284,420	288,816	2.1	1.5
Durable goods	37,464	39,244	41,012	42,156	41,892	2.8	-0.6
Semi-durable goods	27,432	28,036	28,864	29,748	29,928	3.1	0.6
Non-durable goods	79,040	79,324	81,356	83,184	84,028	2.2	1.0
Services	121,220	123,912	127,308	129,332	132,968	1.6	2.8
Government current expenditure on goods and services	93,804	94,060	94,648	97,372	98,192	2.9	0.8
Government investment in fixed capital	11,728	11,768	11,796	11,832	12,336	0.3	4.3
Government investment in inventories	-48	0	-132	-76	60	56 ¹	136 ¹
Business investment in fixed capital	75,464	79,532	82,952	85,476	85,684	3.0	0.2
Residential	22,672	24,024	26,260	28,516	28,520	8.6	--
Plant and equipment	52,792	55,508	56,692	56,960	57,164	0.5	0.4
Business investment in inventories	1,876	3,176	4,684	1,244	6,848	-3,440 ¹	5,604 ¹
Exports of goods and services ²	134,032	134,336	134,392	141,084	137,384	5.0	-2.6
Deduct: Imports of goods and services ³	116,172	120,880	124,632	129,448	132,080	3.9	2.0
Statistical discrepancy	-2,408	-1,536	-2,068	-1,044	-1,632		
Gross Domestic Product at market prices	463,432	470,972	480,180	490,860	495,608	2.2	1.0
Final Domestic Demand	446,152	455,876	467,936	479,100	485,028	2.4	1.2
	At 1981 prices (\$ millions)						
Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services ¹	211,436	213,724	217,580	219,992	220,624	1.1	0.3
Durable goods	32,956	34,464	35,812	36,700	36,168	2.5	-1.5
Semi-durable goods	23,180	23,524	24,028	24,612	24,568	2.4	-0.2
Non-durable goods	60,992	60,700	61,608	62,220	62,076	1.0	-0.2
Services	94,308	95,036	96,132	96,460	97,812	0.3	1.4
Government current expenditure on goods and services	73,808	73,536	73,520	74,700	74,288	1.6	-0.6
Government investment in fixed capital	10,104	10,188	10,216	10,096	10,416	-1.2	3.2
Government investment in inventories	-44	0	-108	-48	44	60 ¹	92 ¹
Business investment in fixed capital	66,680	69,600	72,408	73,748	72,932	1.9	-1.1
Residential	20,160	21,228	22,904	24,664	24,292	7.7	-1.5
Plant and equipment	46,520	48,372	49,504	49,084	48,640	-0.8	-0.9
Business investment in inventories	1,856	2,824	3,968	1,308	5,744	-2,660 ¹	4,436 ¹
Exports of goods and services ²	125,308	123,248	122,068	128,544	127,804	5.3	-0.6
Deduct: Imports of goods and services ³	102,244	105,376	108,532	111,100	111,844	2.4	0.7
Statistical discrepancy	-1,984	-1,244	-1,660	-824	-1,312		
Gross Domestic Product at market prices	384,920	386,500	389,460	396,416	398,696	1.8	0.6
Final Domestic Demand	362,028	367,048	373,724	378,536	378,260	1.3	-0.1
	Implicit Price Indexes						
Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services ¹	125.4	126.6	128.0	129.3	130.9	1.0	1.3
Durable goods	113.7	113.9	114.5	114.9	115.8	0.3	0.8
Semi-durable goods	118.3	119.2	120.1	120.9	121.8	0.6	0.8
Non-durable goods	129.6	130.7	132.1	133.7	135.4	1.2	1.2
Services	128.5	130.4	132.4	134.1	135.9	1.2	1.4
Government current expenditure on goods and services	127.1	127.9	128.7	130.4	132.2	1.3	1.4
Government investment in fixed capital	116.1	115.5	115.5	117.2	118.4	1.5	1.1
Business investment in fixed capital	113.2	114.3	114.6	115.9	117.5	1.2	1.4
Residential	112.5	113.2	114.7	115.6	117.4	0.8	1.5
Plant and equipment	113.5	114.8	114.5	116.0	117.5	1.3	1.3
Exports of goods and services ²	107.0	109.0	110.1	109.8	107.5	-0.3	-2.1
Deduct: Imports of goods and services ³	113.6	114.7	114.8	116.5	118.1	1.5	1.4
Gross Domestic Product at market prices	120.4	121.9	123.3	123.8	124.3	0.4	0.4
Final Domestic Demand	123.2	124.2	125.2	126.6	128.2	1.1	1.3

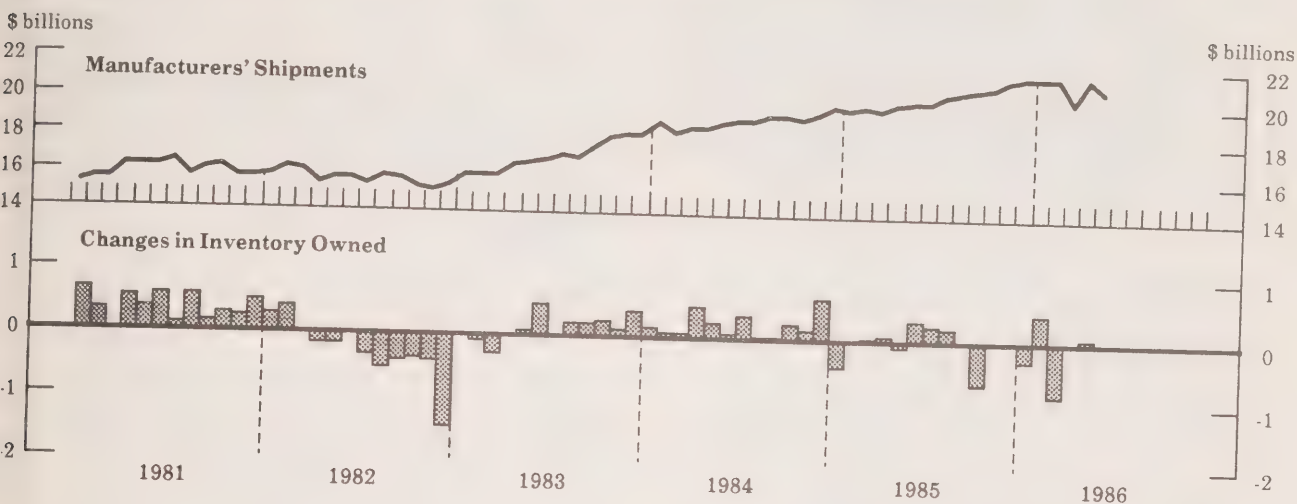
¹ Actual change in millions of dollars.

² Excludes investment income received from non-residents.

³ Excludes investment income paid to non-residents.

Manufacturers' Shipments and Changes in Inventory Owned, 1981-1986

(Seasonally adjusted)



Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries

May 1986

Highlights

- Preliminary estimates indicate that the seasonally adjusted value of shipments for all Canadian manufacturing industries decreased 3.1% in May to \$20,742 million. Decreases in the value of shipments have been recorded in three of the last four months and the level for May stands 3.6% below the January peak. This peak followed increases averaging 0.9% monthly, dating back over a 10-month period. The decrease in May was broadly based as 14 of the 22 major groups reported lower shipment values.
- The seasonally adjusted value of new orders received in May decreased 2.3% to \$20,854 million and was 4.0% below the peak of \$21,717 million reached in February.
- The seasonally adjusted unfilled orders backlog at the end of May was up 0.5% to \$24,724 million, following a 0.2% decline in April. Prior to this decline in April, unfilled orders increased an average of 0.7% a month since the last decrease registered in November 1985.
- Seasonally adjusted inventories owned by manufacturers at the end of May totalled \$34,070 million, up 0.3% from the April level of \$33,971 million. The level of inventories posted in the last three months has been significantly lower than those recorded in the last half of 1985 and the first two months of 1986.
- The ratio of seasonally adjusted total inventory owned to seasonally adjusted shipments rose from a historical low of 1.59:1 in April to 1.64:1 in May - this being more closely aligned with the ratios observed in the last quarter of 1985.

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- Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in May 1986 were estimated at \$21,729 million, 1.3% higher than the May 1985 value of \$21,458 million. Cumulative shipments for the first five months of 1986, at an estimated value of \$104,630 million, were up 5.7% over the \$98,941 million estimated for the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 9550-9580.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, \$15/\$150), available in three to four weeks time. Data for shipments by province in greater detail than normally published may be available on request. Contact: the Shipments, Inventories and Orders Section (613-990-9832), Industry Division.

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in all Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1982 Census of Manufactures Benchmarks)
(millions of dollars)

	May 1986 ^p	Apr. 1986 ^r	Mar. 1986	May 1985
Not adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Shipments - Total	21,729.2	21,655.3	21,100.1	21,458.4
New orders - Total	21,788.9	21,640.4	21,239.8	21,751.2
Unfilled orders - Total	24,856.2	24,796.4	24,811.4	24,219.2
Inventory owned - Total	34,272.9	34,455.2	34,591.0	33,926.9
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Shipments - Total	20,741.6	21,398.7	20,219.2	20,091.9
New orders - Total	20,854.2	21,347.2	20,297.3	20,461.5
Unfilled orders - Total	24,724.1	24,611.4	24,662.9	24,128.5
Inventory owned - Total	34,070.0	33,971.0	33,956.5	33,741.1
Ratio of total inventories owned to shipments	1.64	1.59	1.68	1.68

^p Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

Department Store Sales and Stocks May 1986

Highlights

Seasonally Adjusted Data

- Adjusted for seasonal fluctuations and the number of trading days, department store sales totalled \$1,065 million (not adjusted for price change) in May 1986, a moderate increase of 0.4% from the previous month's revised total of \$1,061 million. The May increase follows a marginal 0.2% decline in April and a significant 2.5% increase in March.
- In terms of recent trends, department store sales over the five-month period extending from January to May 1986 rose on average by 0.4% each month, a reduction from the 0.9% average increase recorded in the last five months of 1985. (*Growth rate figures were incorrectly shown in the July 11th release, Department Store Sales by Province and Metropolitan Area.*)
- Food and kindred products and stationery, books and magazines, with increases of approximately \$4 million (+7.4%) and \$2 million (+5.3%) respectively, had the most significant impact on the overall increase in department store sales in May 1986.
- Seasonally adjusted department store stocks (at selling value) totalled \$4,307 million at the end of May, up 0.8% from the April 1986 revised value of \$4,273 million. This was the eleventh consecutive monthly increase in department store stocks.
- The inventories to sales ratio stood at 4.04:1 in May 1986, up marginally from the average ratio of 3.94:1 observed in the first four months of the year, but significantly higher than the ratios recorded in 1985 which averaged 3.49:1.

Unadjusted Data

- Department stores in Canada reported sales totalling \$1,084 million in May 1986, up 9.4% over the May 1985 level of \$991 million. This was the eleventh consecutive month during which, on a year-over-year basis, department store sales have increased. Cumulative department store sales for the period January to May 1986 totalled \$4,419 million, up 8.2% over the corresponding period in 1985.
- All provinces posted gains in May 1986 over the corresponding month in 1985, with increases ranging from 12.4% in Ontario to 2.8% in Prince Edward Island. Sales also rose in all 10 metropolitan areas surveyed, with increases ranging from 16.4% in Toronto to 2.7% in Halifax-Dartmouth.
- Sales by major department stores in May 1986 reached \$650 million, up 9.5% from the corresponding month a year earlier, while junior department stores had sales of \$433 million, up 9.3% over the same period last year.
- Unadjusted department store stocks at month-end totalled \$4,373 million, up 24.3% over the level reached in May 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 112.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, \$13/\$130), available the second week of August. Contact: Lina Di Piéto (613-991-3551) or Maurice Massaad (613-990-9682), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Telephone Statistics

April 1986

Canada's 13 major telephone systems reported monthly revenues of \$879.2 million in April 1986, an advance of 10.3% from a year earlier.

Operating expenses were \$598.8 million, an increase of 9.9% over April 1985. Net operating revenue was \$280.4 million, an increase of 11.1% from the previous year.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 355.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Telephone Statistics* (56-002, \$7.50/\$75), Vol. 10, No. 4, scheduled for release the week of July 21. Contact: J.R. Slattery (613-990-9662), Services Division.

Railway Financial and Operating Statistics

March 1986

Canada's seven major railways reported a combined net income from operations of \$31.4 million in March 1986. Operating revenues of \$639.3 million were up \$6.4 million from the 1985 figure.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 142.

Order the March 1986 issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, \$9.50/\$95), to be released the first week of August. Contact: the Rail Unit (613-990-8700), Transportation Division.

Steel Ingots

May 1986

Steel ingot production for May 1986 totalled 1 229 861 tonnes, a decrease of 2.4% from 1 260 496 tonnes the previous year.

Year-to-date production reached 6 050 761 tonnes, an increase of 0.2% from 6 039 673 tonnes a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 58 (level 2, series 3).

Order the May 1986 issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the last week of July. Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Shipments of Rolled Steel

May 1986

Rolled steel shipments for May 1986 totalled 1 025 148 tonnes, a decrease of 3.2% from the preceding month's total of 1 058 564 and a decrease of 3.7% from the year-earlier level of 1 064 632 tonnes.

Year-to-date shipments totalled 5 040 996 tonnes, an increase of 0.7% from the 5 006 729 tonnes shipped the previous year.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 58 and 122 (series 22-25).

Order the May 1986 issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the last week of July. Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Production of Soft Drinks

June 1986

Soft drink production for June 1986 was estimated at 2 317 319 hectolitres, an increase of 1.0% from the 2 294 231 hectolitres^r (revised figure) estimated a year earlier.

Year-to-date production was estimated at 10 194 750 hectolitres^r, compared to the corresponding 1985 amount of 9 216 356^r hectolitres. These data are based on carbon dioxide usage.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 196.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Monthly Production of Soft Drinks* (32-001, \$2/\$20), to be released the last week of July. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Imports by Commodities

May 1986

Commodity-country import trade statistics for May 1986 are now available on microfiche, computer printouts or magnetic tapes in advance of the monthly publication.

Available on CANSIM (for selected information): matrices 3652-3678 and 3718.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Imports by Commodities* (65-007, \$50/\$500), available the last week of July. Contact: G. L. Blaney (613-990-9647), International Trade Division.

Publications Released

Footwear Statistics, May 1986

Catalogue number 33-002

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Railway Carloadings, 9-day

Period Ending June 30, 1986

Catalogue number 52-005

(Canada: \$75; Other Countries: \$100)

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Week of July 21-25

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23	Security Transactions with Non-residents	May 1986
24	Wholesale Trade	May 1986
25	Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production	April 1986

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Data Availability Announcements

Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics

May 1986

A total of 66 Canadian urban transit systems collected 123,247,236 initial passenger fares in May 1986. Operating revenues amounted to \$80,137,387.

During the same period, 20 passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations carried 1,727,923 fare passengers and earned \$17,453,061 in operating revenues.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 351 and 352.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics* (53-003, \$6.50/\$65), available the first week of August. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Transportation Division.

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

May 1986

Factory shipments of steel wire and specified wire products for May 1986 are now available. Production and export market data for selected commodities are also available.

Factory shipments of steel wire and specified wire products totalled 67 014 tonnes in May 1986, an increase of 0.1% from the 66 954 tonnes shipped the previous year.

Year-to-date shipments of steel wire and specified wire products totalled 298 628 tonnes, an increase of 5.5% over the same period a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 122 (series 19).

Order the May 1986 issue of *Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products* (41-006, \$4/\$40), to be released this week. Contact: Michel Cormier (613-991-3522), Industry Division.

Oilseed Crashings

June 1986

Domestic crashings of vegetable oilseeds and the subsequent production of oil and meal for the latest periods were as follows:

- Canola-rapeseed, June 1986: 90 503 tonnes of crashings, with 37 553 tonnes of oil and 50 367 tonnes of meal produced.
- Soybeans, June 1986: 78 880 tonnes of crashings, with 14 378 tonnes of oil and 60 760 tonnes of meal produced.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5687.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release August 25. Contact: Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or Glenn Lennox (613-991-3860), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Local Government Finance, Revenue and Expenditure 1986

Actual data for 1983 and forecast data for 1986 are available at 10:00 a.m. today on CANSIM: matrices 2764-2776.

Contact: Gilbert Huneault (613-991-1812), Public Institutions Division.

Publications Released

Current Economic Indicators,

July 1986, Vol. 2, No. 6:

Composite Leading Indicator, April 1986

Catalogue number 13-005

(Canada: \$10/\$100; Other Countries: \$11/\$110)

**Production and Inventories
of Process Cheese and Instant**

Skim Milk Powder, May 1986

Catalogue number 32-024

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

**Production and Stocks of
Tea, Coffee and Cocoa,**

Quarter Ended March 1986

Catalogue number 32-025

(Canada: \$5/\$20; Other Countries: \$6/\$24)

**Department Store Monthly Sales,
by Province and Selected**

Metropolitan Area, May 1986

Catalogue number 63-004

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Major Releases

Trends in Long-term Unemployment by Industry and Occupation, 1985 2

- While total unemployment declined slightly between 1982 and 1985, the number of persons who were unemployed for more than one year almost doubled

Sales of Natural Gas, May 1986 3

- Sales of natural gas rose 9.8% from the year-earlier level

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Major Releases

Trends in Long-term Unemployment by Industry and Occupation

1985

Total unemployment declined to 1,193,000 in 1985, down 0.7% from 1,202,000 in 1982. During this period, the number of persons who were unemployed for more than one year almost doubled to 112,000 from 58,000. As a result, "long-term" unemployment as a proportion of total unemployment rose to 9.3% in 1985 from 4.8% in 1982. (For the purposes of this study, "long-term" unemployment is defined as lasting 53 weeks or more.)

The substantial increase in the number of "long-term" unemployed (+91.6%) contrasts sharply with the slight increase in the number of persons who were unemployed for a period ranging from 27 to 52 weeks (+6.6% to 193,000) and the decline in the number of persons who were unemployed for 26 weeks or less (-7.7% to 888,000).

Other findings from Trends in Long-term Unemployment by Industry and Occupation - the feature article presented in this month's issue of *The Labour Force* include:

- In 1985, long-term unemployment as a proportion of total unemployment ranged from a low of 6.7% in primary industries to highs of 10.7% in finance, insurance and real estate, 10.6% in public administration and 10.5% in construction.
- In 1985, "long-term" unemployment as a proportion of total unemployment was lowest in the primary (6.8%) and clerical occupations (7.7%) and highest in construction (10.8%).
- Percentage increases in "long-term" unemployment between 1982 and 1985 by industry ranged from 53.4% in manufacturing to 136.5% in construction.

Order the June 1986 issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, \$20/\$200), available today. Contact: Gary L. Cohen (613-990-9452), Labour and Household Surveys Analysis Division.

Sales of Natural Gas

May 1986

Highlights

- Sales of natural gas in May 1986 totalled 3 495 913 thousand cubic metres, up 9.8% from a year earlier, while year-to-date sales advanced 1.4% to reach 25 300 701 thousand cubic metres.
- Sales to the residential sector for the January-May period increased 0.5% to

7 331 454 thousand cubic metres, while sales to the commercial market were up 0.2% to 6 016 312 thousand cubic metres. Industrial sales, including direct sales by producers to industrial consumers, rose 2.5% to 11 952 935 thousand cubic metres.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, \$10/\$100), available the third week of August. Contact: Gary Smalldridge (613-991-3567), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Sales of Natural Gas

May 1986

	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Direct	Total
(thousand cubic metres)					
New Brunswick	12	66	-	-	78
Quebec	71 876	91 354	230 231	-	393 461
Ontario	279 820	210 208	905 218	75 607	1 470 853
Manitoba	38 315	39 324	41 295	-	118 934
Saskatchewan	39 857	30 020	77 151	-	147 028
Alberta	172 755	121 891	737 841	-	1 032 487
British Columbia	89 682	85 085	158 305	-	333 072
Canada - May 1986	692 317	577 948	2 150 041	75 607	3 495 913
Canada - May 1985	651 400	522 019	2 009 616	-	3 183 035
% change	6.3	10.7	10.7	-	9.8
Year-to-date					
Canada 1986	7 331 454	6 016 312	11 750 176	202 759	25 300 701
Year-to-date					
Canada 1985	7 298 266	6 003 506	11 660 248	-	24 962 020
% change	0.5	0.2	2.5	-	1.4

- Nil or zero.

Data Availability Announcements

Tobacco Products

June 1986

Canadian tobacco product firms produced 4,868,098,000 cigarettes in June 1986, a 19.0% decrease from the 6,008,161,000 cigarettes manufactured during the same period in 1985. Production for January to June 1986 totalled 29,374,260,000 cigarettes, down from 35,309,552,000 cigarettes for the corresponding period in 1985.

Domestic sales in June 1986 amounted to 5,769,873,000 cigarettes, an increase of 13.5% over the June 1985 amount of 5,082,524,000 cigarettes. Year-to-date sales in 1986 totalled 26,463,575,000 cigarettes, down 5.6% from the 1985 cumulative amount of 28,045,625,000 cigarettes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 46.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, \$4/\$40), to be released the last week of July. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Steel Ingots

Week Ended July 19, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending July 19, 1986 totalled 237 155 tonnes, a decrease of 4.1% from the preceding week's total of 247 216 tonnes and down 0.8% from the year-earlier level of 238 960 tonnes.

The cumulative total for 1986 to date is 7 918 859 tonnes, a decrease of 1.6% compared to the total of 8 045 706 tonnes for the same period in 1985.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes

May 1986

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,596,437 phonograph records in May 1986, down 15.0% from the 4,229,471 produced a year earlier. Production of tapes increased to 3,614,147 in May 1986, up 6.2% from 3,402,682 tapes in May 1985.

Year-to-date production of phonograph records amounted to 18,105,274 (revised figures), down 9.9% from the 20,095,101 records produced during the January to May 1985 period. Cumulative production of tapes increased 9.7% to 16,479,853 from 15,016,915 tapes during the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 2904.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada* (47-004, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 4. Contact: Don Grant (613-991-3518), Industry Division.

Stocks of Frozen Meat

July 1986

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of July amounted to 28 818 tonnes as compared with 28 659 tonnes last month and 35 411 tonnes a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 87 and 9517-9525.

Order the July issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release on August 7. Contact: P.L. Beerstecher (613-990-8714), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Publications Released

Retail Trade, March 1986

Catalogue number 63-005

(Canada: \$14/\$140; Other Countries: \$15/\$150)

New Motor Vehicle Sales, April 1986

Catalogue number 63-007

(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

The Labour Force, June 1986

Catalogue number 71-001

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Major Releases

Union Wage Rate Index, May 1986

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- Union wage rates at the Canada level rose only 0.3% from a year earlier

Estimates of Labour Income, March 1986

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- Labour income rose 5.6% over March 1985

Data Availability Announcement

Mineral Wool, June 1986

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Major Releases

Union Wage Rate Indexes

May 1986

The Canada total union wage rate index (1981=100) for construction trades rose 0.4% in May from the level of 132.0 recorded in April. Wages for carpenters in St. John's advanced 23.7% - in part a recovery from a previous rollback. As well, all trades in Halifax benefited from the annual installment of their collective agreements.

Comparing May 1986 with the same month in 1985, union wage rates at the Canada total level rose only 0.3%. The largest increase was reported in St. John's (11.6%), followed by Halifax (9.4%), Saint John (1.6%) and Winnipeg (0.6%). All other cities in Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia registered no change.

Users should note that cities in Saskatchewan and Alberta continue to be without sufficient current collective agreements to constitute viable city indexes and accordingly, the Canada aggregate index from May onward will be computed on the basis of the movement of the remaining 18 cities (i.e. excluding Regina, Saskatoon, Calgary and Edmonton).

Available on CANSIM: matrices 400-405, 956 and 958.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in August. Contact: Lisa-Gay Tremblay (613-990-9601), Prices Division.

Union Wage Rate Indexes, Basic plus Supplements

(1981=100)

	May 1986	April 1986	May 1985	% change	
				May 1986/ April 1986	May 1986/ May 1985
Canada	132.5	132.0	132.1	0.4	0.3
St. John's	134.2	125.1	120.3	7.3	11.6
Halifax	165.6	151.9	151.4	9.0	9.4
Saint John	134.3	134.3	132.2	-	1.6
Quebec City	131.5	131.5	131.5	-	-
Chicoutimi	131.0	131.0	131.0	-	-
Montreal	131.2	131.2	131.2	-	-
Ottawa	135.0	135.0	135.0	-	-
Toronto	131.7	131.7	131.7	-	-
Hamilton	132.1	132.1	132.1	-	-
St. Catharines	133.8	133.8	133.8	-	-
Kitchener	136.4	136.4	136.4	-	-
London	136.2	136.2	136.2	-	-
Windsor	133.3	133.3	133.3	-	-
Sudbury	134.9	134.9	134.9	-	-
Thunder Bay	134.0	134.0	134.0	-	-
Winnipeg	132.3	131.5	131.5	0.6	0.6
Vancouver	132.1	132.1	132.1	-	-
Victoria	132.1	132.1	132.1	-	-

- Nil or zero.

Estimates of Labour Income

March 1986

The March 1986 estimate of labour income increased by 5.6% from March 1985, compared to previous year-over-year growth rates of 6.2% recorded in February 1986 and 6.9% in January 1986.

The seasonally adjusted estimate of wages and salaries for March 1986 showed little change from the February level. The service producing industries increased marginally in March (0.5%), following two months of slight declines. Within this industrial grouping, transportation, communications and other utilities increased by 1.4% from February, while the other industries showed little or no change. On an annual basis, the rate of increase in the commercial services industry decreased over the past two months. The annual rate of increase for all the other industries remained stable for the same period.

The goods producing industries were virtually unchanged in both February and March following a 1.0% decrease in January 1986. Within this industrial grouping the only notable change in March occurred in the

construction industry which declined by 1.2%. On an annual basis, this marked the second month of decline in the growth rate for the mining industry. The remaining industries had stable annual growth rates.

Provincially, the seasonally adjusted estimates of wages and salaries showed little change from the February levels in all provinces.

(see table on page 4)

Users should note that these data incorporate the results of a major historical revision covering the years 1961-1985. This revision affected the overall levels of the estimates as well as the industrial and provincial distributions.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1791 and 1792.

The estimates will be published in the January-March issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$15/\$60), available in August. Contact: Georgette Gauthier (613-990-9900), Labour Income Section, Labour Division.

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

March 1986

(millions of dollars)

	March 1986 ^r	February 1986 ^r	January 1986 ^f	March 1985
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	109.3	94.9	94.8	105.2
Forestry	127.0	133.7	139.7	124.2
Mines, quarries and oil wells	537.1	540.6	547.4	505.0
Manufacturing industries	4,096.9	4,092.4	4,086.8	3,856.6
Construction industry	924.0	927.1	914.6	851.1
Transportation, communications and other utilities	2,111.9	2,080.8	2,111.5	2,029.3
Trade	2,601.5	2,579.3	2,597.1	2,452.9
Finance, insurance and real estate	1,512.6	1,493.3	1,491.8	1,400.9
Commercial and personal service	2,455.2	2,384.9	2,455.2	2,327.8
Education and related services	1,797.8	1,796.4	1,779.8	1,728.7
Health and welfare services	1,335.2	1,321.3	1,311.9	1,243.9
Federal administration and other government offices	705.7	699.7	692.3	694.7
Provincial administration	525.5	520.2	524.7	502.5
Local administration	424.8	423.1	431.4	401.6
Total wages and salaries	19,217.7	19,087.7	19,179.0	18,224.3
Supplementary labour income	2,069.0	2,055.6	2,065.6	1,933.7
Labour income	21,286.7	21,143.3	21,244.6	20,158.0
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	163.0	163.7	165.9	156.9
Forestry	150.4	146.4	154.7	146.6
Mines, quarries and oil wells	546.0	544.0	550.1	513.1
Manufacturing industries	4,157.8	4,170.1	4,185.4	3,913.5
Construction industry	1,101.6	1,114.8	1,097.1	1,017.1
Transportation, communications and other utilities	2,156.4	2,125.9	2,145.5	2,072.3
Trade	2,657.4	2,644.5	2,626.1	2,505.9
Finance, insurance and real estate	1,520.1	1,512.0	1,493.6	1,407.1
Commercial and personal service	2,472.5	2,463.4	2,528.8	2,389.8
Education and related services	1,726.7	1,727.2	1,729.9	1,659.0
Health and welfare services	1,342.2	1,337.3	1,327.9	1,250.2
Federal administration and other government offices	703.9	704.6	702.7	693.1
Provincial administration	538.3	539.6	548.2	515.1
Local administration	433.4	433.6	435.5	409.9
Total wages and salaries	19,709.4	19,852.0	19,747.0	18,690.8
Supplementary labour income	2,124.2	2,118.0	2,128.3	1,983.0
Labour income	21,833.7	21,770.0	21,875.3	20,673.8

^p Preliminary estimate.^r Revised estimate.^f Final estimate.

Data Availability Announcement

Mineral Wool

June 1986

Manufacturers shipped 7 065 037 square metres of mineral wool (all R factors) in batts in June 1986, down 42.6% from the 12 305 229 square metres shipped a year earlier but up 29.0% from the 5 476 121 square metres shipped the previous month.

Year-to-date shipments to the end of June 1986 were 39 076 661 square metres, a decrease of 3.0% from the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 40 and 122 (series 32 and 33).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Mineral Wool including Fibrous Glass Insulation* (44-004, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 4. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.

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Major Releases

Real Gross Domestic Product at Factor Cost, by Industry, May 1986 2

- Real GDP at factor cost declined 1.0% from April

Wholesale Trade, May 1986 4

- Wholesale merchants' sales increased 7.3% over May 1985

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Major Releases

Real Gross Domestic Product at Factor Cost, by Industry

(seasonally adjusted data)
May 1986

Monthly Overview

Preliminary estimates of Gross Domestic Product at factor cost in 1971 prices show a decline of 1.0% in May 1986, following a 1.7% gain in April. The May decrease in economic activity was the second substantial monthly decline recorded in the last three months. GDP now stands at about the same level as in December 1985.

Output of goods-producing industries fell 1.3% in May, primarily due to production cutbacks in manufacturing and mining, and is now 1.4% below the level of December. Output of service-producing industries was off 0.8% in May, the sharpest monthly decline since January 1982. The output level in May was 0.6% above December. Industries accounting for most of the May decline in services included transportation, communications, wholesale and retail trade and finance.

Goods-producing industries

Within goods-producing industries, most of the May decline in output occurred in manufacturing and mining. The drop in manufacturing accounted for about 44% of the drop in overall GDP. The largest declines were recorded by manufacturers of automotive products whose production fell 5.3% during the month. Exports of motor vehicles, and motor vehicle parts and accessories were down substantially during May as well. Other goods-producing industries posting large declines in output in May included manufacturers of textiles, paper and allied products, primary metals, wood products, non-metallic mineral products, and chemicals. Exports of lumber, pulp and paper, and chemical products were also down.

Mining activity fell 5.8% in May, the largest monthly output decline since July 1978. The weakness in mining over the last four months has been primarily due to a substantial decrease in mineral fuels exploration and drilling activity.

Note to Users

Users should note that the May release of GDP at factor cost by industry is the last one based on the 1970 Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) and 1971 prices. The next release, for June 1986 and the second quarter of 1986, will be available in the first half of September 1986 in the DAILY and on CANSIM. These estimates of GDP by industry at factor cost will be based on the 1980 SIC and expressed in 1981 prices.

It should also be noted that real GDP at factor cost differs from the comprehensive measure, GDP at market prices, in that the former does not include indirect taxes and subsidies.

Service-producing Industries

Almost 70% of the May decline in service-producing industries was attributed to drops in transportation and communications industries. Output of railway, water, truck and pipeline transport all declined during the month. The sharp decrease in railway transport this month was due to widespread declines in carloadings of agricultural, forestry, mining and manufactured products. In communications, output of telephone systems dropped sharply following a substantial gain in April.

Other service-producing industries recording declines in May included wholesalers of hardware and plumbing supplies, wholesalers of lumber and building materials, new motor vehicle dealers, food stores, and security brokers and dealers. The substantial decrease among security brokers and dealers in May was due mostly to a sharp drop in trading activity on the Canadian stock exchanges.
(see tables on page 3)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1130 and 1131.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Gross Domestic Product by Industry* (61-005, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release at the end of August. Contact: Ron Kennedy (613-991-3673, 991-3666), Industry Measures and Analysis Division.

Indexes of Gross Domestic Product at Factor Cost, by Industry in Constant (1971) Prices (Seasonally Adjusted) (1971 = 100)

1970 SIC		May 1985	February 1986	March 1986	April 1986	May 1986
1-11	Gross Domestic Product	154.9	160.8	158.9	161.7	160.1
1	Agriculture	114.4	118.6	119.2	117.5	117.1
2	Forestry	115.1	137.4	125.3	118.2	139.3
3	Fishing and trapping	89.8	132.9	128.9	127.4	128.4
4	Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	112.2	113.2	107.8	108.0	101.7
5	Manufacturing industries	142.7	150.9	146.2	152.2	149.1
6	Construction industry	112.5	114.7	114.3	113.4	112.7
7	Transportation, communica- tion and other utilities	183.7	193.5	190.1	193.3	189.0
8	Trade	175.1	185.0	184.1	190.4	188.6
9	Finance, insurance and real estate	184.2	189.0	189.2	191.4	190.5
10	Community, business and personal service industries	159.6	161.6	162.0	162.6	163.0
11	Public administration and defence	140.8	142.9	142.0	142.8	142.7
	Industry Groupings:					
	Goods-producing industries	135.7	142.6	138.8	141.7	139.8
	Service-producing industries	167.9	173.2	172.6	175.3	173.9
	Commercial industries	160.5	167.5	165.2	168.5	166.6
	Non-commercial industries	129.7	131.1	131.0	131.3	131.1
	Industrial production	144.5	152.1	147.3	151.9	148.8

Gross Domestic Product at Factor Cost, by Industry in Constant (1971) Prices (Seasonally Adjusted at Annual Rates) (\$ millions)

1970 SIC		May 1985	February 1986	March 1986	April 1986	May 1986
1-11	Gross Domestic Product	128,964.2	133,877.7	132,301.7	134,604.2	133,281.7
1	Agriculture	3,083.9	3,197.1	3,213.3	3,167.4	3,156.7
2	Forestry	770.6	919.9	838.9	791.3	932.6
3	Fishing and trapping	132.3	195.9	189.9	187.7	189.2
4	Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells	3,530.4	3,561.4	3,390.6	3,396.8	3,199.7
5	Manufacturing industries	27,172.9	28,740.4	27,832.5	28,976.4	28,398.2
6	Construction industry	6,579.2	6,704.0	6,683.5	6,627.7	6,587.9
7	Transportation, communica- tion and other utilities	18,523.3	19,517.1	19,170.0	19,500.7	19,065.7
8	Trade	17,169.7	18,138.4	18,053.6	18,669.2	18,490.1
9	Finance, insurance and real estate	17,666.7	18,121.8	18,139.4	18,355.8	18,268.6
10	Community, business and personal service industries	25,670.9	25,992.4	26,050.6	26,143.4	26,215.9
11	Public administration and defence	8,664.3	8,789.2	8,739.3	8,787.7	8,776.9
	Industry Groupings:					
	Goods-producing industries	45,798.8	48,099.0	46,843.6	47,799.4	47,157.3
	Service-producing industries	83,165.4	85,778.7	85,458.1	86,804.8	86,124.4
	Commercial industries	109,179.6	113,878.3	112,317.5	114,576.3	113,282.2
	Non-commercial industries	19,784.6	19,999.4	19,984.2	20,027.9	19,999.5
	Industrial production	35,232.8	37,082.1	35,918.0	37,025.2	36,290.9

Wholesale Trade

May 1986

Sales

- Preliminary estimates indicate that wholesale merchants' sales for May 1986 (not adjusted for price change) rose 7.3% above the May 1985 level. While the year-over-year rise in May declined significantly from the April revised figure of 18.2%, this was primarily due to a substantial increase in sales recorded in May 1985. This had the effect of moderating the year-over-year rise for the current month.
- In May 1986, all major trade groups except wholesalers of metal, hardware, plumbing and heating equipment (-6.1%) registered increased sales from a year earlier. The trade groups having the largest impact on the overall increase were wholesalers of "other machinery, equipment and supplies" (+14.2%) and motor vehicles and accessories (+14.7%).
- Cumulative sales by wholesale merchants for the first five months of 1986 were up 12.1% over the January-May 1985 period. The following major trade groups had the most notable impact on this overall increase: wholesalers of "other machinery, equipment and supplies" (+15.9%); motor vehicles and accessories (+18.0%); and lumber and building materials (+23.5%).

- Wholesale trade increases between May 1985 and May 1986 were posted in all regions, ranging from 12.2% in Ontario to 0.7% in the Prairie provinces.

Inventories

- Between May 1985 and May 1986, wholesale inventories went up by 10.7%. This was the fifth consecutive month in which inventory levels have been 8% or more above those for the corresponding months in 1985.
- The ratio of inventories to sales at the end of May 1986 stood at 1.48:1, up slightly from the 1.44:1 recorded a year earlier. For the first five months of 1986, this ratio has averaged 1.64:1, down from the 1.69:1 registered for the corresponding months in 1985.
(see table on page 5)

Available on CANSIM: matrix 44.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, \$5/\$50), available the second week of August. Contact: Gilles Berniquez (613-991-3537), Wholesale Trade Section, Industry Division.

Wholesale Trade

Percentage Change in Sales and Inventories for May 1986/1985

Major trade groups - Regions	Sales			Inventories		Stocks/Sales Ratios	
	April 1986/85 ^r	May 1986/85 ^p	Jan.-May 1986/85 ^p	April 1986/85 ^r	May 1986/85 ^p	May 1985 ^r	May 1986 ^p
Total all trades	18.2	7.3	12.1	9.2	10.7	1.44	1.48
Food	3.9	0.2	3.1	5.9	8.2	0.67	0.72
Tobacco, drugs and toilet preparations	23.6	10.0	17.1	17.2	15.7	0.87	0.91
Apparel, dry goods, furniture and general merchandise	9.7	9.6	11.7	3.7	5.8	2.44	2.36
Motor vehicles and accessories	25.0	14.7	18.0	16.0	10.8	1.58	1.53
Farm machinery, equipment and supplies	13.9	16.5	14.1	-7.3	-4.7	3.46	2.83
Other machinery, equipment and supplies ¹	21.5	14.2	15.9	10.8	11.0	1.92	1.87
Metals, hardware, plumbing and heating equipment	8.7	-6.1	3.3	11.7	11.2	1.44	1.71
Lumber and building materials	37.5	13.0	23.5	20.2	22.1	1.42	1.53
Other wholesalers ²	20.9	1.3	9.4	6.7	16.0	1.08	1.23
Regions							
Atlantic provinces	4.8	2.6	2.2	4.5	3.9	1.26	1.28
Quebec	13.9	6.3	7.4	6.6	13.8	1.19	1.28
Ontario	22.3	12.2	17.3	12.8	11.6	1.44	1.44
Prairie provinces	12.1	0.7	7.7	5.6	6.4	1.97	2.08
B.C. Yukon and Northwest Territories	26.0	4.6	14.4	11.2	12.1	1.29	1.39

^r Revised figures.

^p Preliminary figures.

¹ Includes: electrical machinery, equipment and supplies; and machinery and equipment, n.e.s.

² Includes: farm products (excluding grain); paper and paper products; scrap and waste materials; and wholesalers, n.e.s.

Data Availability Announcements

Railway Carloadings

Seven Days Ending July 7, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the seven days ending July 7, 1986 totalled 4.3 million tonnes, an increase of 7.1% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 25 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release the week of July 28. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2650-2656.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release the week of August 25. Contact: Allister B. Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or T. Depuis (613-991-3860) Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Ottawa.

Exports of Major Grains

June 1986

Export clearances of the major grains during June 1986 were as follows (in thousand tonnes):

● Total wheat,	1 521.9;
● Oats,	12.6;
● Barley,	494.5;
● Rye,	10.6;
● Flaxseed,	21.4;
● Canola (rapeseed),	104.6.

Selected Financial Indexes

June 1986

Selected financial indexes for June 1986 are now available.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 412.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in August 1986. Contact: Information Service (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Publications Released

Farm Cash Receipts,

January-May 1986

Catalogue number 21-001

(Canada: \$7/\$70; Other Countries: \$8/\$80)

Pulpwood and Wood Residue

Statistics, May 1986

Catalogue number 25-001

(Canada: \$5/\$50; Other Countries: \$6/\$60)

Inventories, Shipments and

Orders in Manufacturing

Industries, April 1986

Catalogue number 31-001

(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

Production, Shipments and

Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East

of the Rockies, April 1986

Catalogue number 35-002

(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Rigid Insulating Board,

May 1986 Catalogue number 36-002

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers,

May 1986 Catalogue number 36-004

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Coal and Coke Statistics,

April 1986 Catalogue number 45-002

(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Refined Petroleum Products,

April 1986 Catalogue number 45-004

(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

Gas Utilities, March 1986

Catalogue number 55-002

(Canada: \$10/\$100; Other Countries: \$11/\$110)

Electric Power Statistics,

April 1986 Catalogue number 57-001

(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of

Agricultural Products, May 1986

Catalogue number 62-003

(Canada: \$6/\$60; Other Countries: \$7/\$70)

Merchandising Inventories,

March 1986 Catalogue number 63-014

(Canada: \$12/\$120; Other Countries: \$13/\$130)

Housing Starts and Completions,

May 1986 Catalogue number 64-002

(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

Summary of Canadian

International Trade, May 1986

Catalogue number 65-001

(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

Employment, Earnings and Hours,

April 1986 Catalogue number 72-002

(Canada: \$35/\$350; Other Countries: \$36.50/\$365)

Provincial and Territorial Government

Employment, October-December 1985

Catalogue number 72-007

(Canada: \$15/\$60; Other Countries: \$16/\$64)

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(Release dates are subject to change)

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29	Private and Public Investment	Revised intentions 1986
29	Employment, Earnings and Hours	May 1986
30	Unemployment Insurance Statistics	May 1986
31	Raw Materials Price Index	June 1986
31	Industrial Product Price Index	June 1986
August		
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- Farm costs declined 0.1% from the preceding year

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Major Releases

Educators in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools

1984-85

Today's public school teachers are more experienced, older and better educated than the teaching staff of 10 years ago. For example, in 1984-85, 80% of the teachers had degrees. In 1974-75, this figure was 60%.

Because teacher salaries are highly correlated with these three variables - experience, age and education - the salaries of educators are also proportionately higher than they were 10 years ago, up 283% to \$36,100 from \$12,800. To bring these figures into perspective, it is important to note that during this same period the Consumer Price Index for Canada increased by 226% while average weekly earnings in Canadian industries increased by 222%.

As with other occupations, the teaching force is becoming more stable with significant reductions in new hirings. The number of teachers recruited has decreased by 26% in the past seven years (from 1978-79 to 1984-85).

It is also interesting to note that while the elementary-secondary school enrolment has decreased by 10% or 400,000 students, the school teaching force in 1984-85 was virtually the same size as 10 years earlier. Several factors contribute to these opposing trends:

- The dispersal of students over large geographic areas;
- The expansion of special education programmes that require, by necessity, a smaller pupil/teacher ratio;
- The rapid growth of French immersion programs.

Available on CANSIM: tables 00570401, 00570402, 00570403.

Order Characteristics of Teachers in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools, 1984-85 (81-202, \$20), released today. Contact: James Seidle (613-991-1500), Education, Culture and Tourism Division.

Farm Input Price Index (FIPI)

Second Quarter 1986

The Farm Input Price Index (1981=100) for Canada for the second quarter of 1986 stood at a preliminary level of 107.3. Between the first and the second quarter, the FIPI declined 1.2% and is now 0.1% lower than a year ago.

At the Canada level, the largest impact on the quarterly 1.2% decline came from a decrease in the machinery and motor vehicles index (-4.9%). This was mainly due to lower prices for petroleum products, which are estimated to have fallen by 21.5% from the first quarter. Also down were the indexes for supplies and services (-1.2%), because of lower prices for furnace oil, as was the index for interest (-0.6%) and for animal production (-0.6%). Offsetting these declines were increases in the indexes for building and fencing (2.1%), crop production (2.2%) and hired farm labour (1.0%).

The annual 0.1% decrease reflected several offsetting price changes. While an estimated price drop for petroleum products (-18.8%) caused machinery and motor vehicles to decline 2.6% since a year ago, and the interest index

fell 4.3%, higher prices for lumber and other construction materials pushed the building and fencing index up by 6.5%. Within other component groups, notable annual changes occurred for motor vehicle insurance (10.6%), weanling pigs (19.6%) and grain feed (-23.4%).

Looking at the regional indexes, there was no quarterly movement in the total FIPI for Eastern Canada and an increase of 0.9% over the year. The indexes for Western Canada both decreased: -2.1% on a quarterly basis and -0.9% annually. This difference in price movements was common to most input indexes, though some notable exceptions were building materials, crop insurance and weanling pigs, which rose more in Western Canada than in the East.

(see table on page 4)

Available on CANSIM: Matrices 1900-1909.

Order the Second Quarter 1986 issue of *Farm Input Price Indexes* (62-004, \$10/\$40), available at the end of August, or contact the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/07), Prices Division.

Farm Input Price Indexes

(1981 = 100)

				% change	
	2nd Quarter 1986	1st Quarter 1986	2nd Quarter 1985	2nd Quarter 1986/ 1st Quarter 1986	2nd Quarter 1986/ 2nd Quarter 1985
Eastern Canada					
Total farm input ^P	107.9	107.9	106.9	0.0	0.9
Building and fencing	130.7	128.2	123.8	2.0	5.6
Machinery and motor vehicles	118.1	122.0	119.4	-3.2	-1.1
Crop production	105.7	102.5	105.4	3.1	0.3
Animal production	103.5	103.2	101.9	0.3	1.6
Supplies and services	127.3	128.3	126.4	-0.8	0.7
Hired farm labour	128.1	126.5	122.2	1.3	4.8
Property taxes ^P	129.1	129.1	122.1	0.0	5.7
Interest ^P	78.9	79.4	82.7	-0.6	-4.6
Farm rent ^P	78.5	78.5	76.1	0.0	3.2
Western Canada					
Total farm input ^P	106.8	109.1	107.8	-2.1	-0.9
Building and fencing	122.9	120.2	114.0	2.2	7.8
Machinery and motor vehicles	114.8	121.9	118.9	-5.8	-3.4
Crop production	103.4	101.7	102.5	1.7	0.9
Animal production	103.3	104.9	103.7	-1.5	-0.4
Supplies and services	121.8	123.7	122.6	-1.5	-0.7
Hired farm labour	121.9	120.9	118.6	0.8	2.8
Property taxes ^P	143.7	143.7	139.1	0.0	3.3
Interest ^P	80.5	80.9	83.9	-0.5	-4.1
Farm rent ^P	100.7	100.7	99.5	0.0	1.2
Canada					
Total farm input ^P	107.3	108.6	107.4	-1.2	-0.1
Building and fencing	126.9	124.3	119.1	2.1	6.5
Machinery and motor vehicles	115.9	121.9	119.0	-4.9	-2.6
Crop production	104.2	102.0	103.7	2.2	0.5
Animal production	103.4	104.0	102.8	-0.6	0.6
Supplies and services	124.3	125.8	124.3	-1.2	0.0
Hired farm labour	125.4	124.1	120.6	1.0	4.0
Property taxes ^P	138.6	138.6	133.2	0.0	4.1
Interest ^P	79.8	80.3	83.4	-0.6	-4.3
Farm rent ^P	95.7	95.7	94.2	0.0	1.6

^P Preliminary figures.

Data Availability Announcements

Exports of Wheat Flour and Barley Malt

May 1986

Customs exports of wheat flour and barley malt during May 1986 were as follows (in thousand tonnes):

- Wheat flour, 14.2
- Malt, 14.9.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5612, series 1, 5613.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release in mid-August, or contact Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Statistics Canada, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or Anthony Dupuis (613-991-3860), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Ottawa.

Oils and Fats

May 1986

Production by Canadian manufacturers of all types of deodorized oils in May 1986 totalled 51 284 tonnes, an increase of 11.3% from the 46 077 tonnes produced in April 1986. The 1986 cumulative year-to-date production totalled 237 697 tonnes, down 5.7% from the corresponding 1985 figure of 252 048 tonnes.

Manufacturers' packaged sales of shortening totalled 9 974 tonnes in May 1986, up from the 7 749 tonnes sold the previous month. The cumulative sales to date in 1986 were 38 308 tonnes, compared to the cumulative sales of 39 888 tonnes in 1985. Sales of packaged salad oil increased to 4 002 tonnes in May 1986 from 3 642 tonnes in April. The cumulative sales to date in 1986 were 22 741 tonnes, compared to the cumulative sales of 28 462 tonnes in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 184.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 4 1986. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Publications Released

Monthly Production of

Soft Drinks, June 1986

Catalogue number 32-001

(Canada: \$2/\$20; Other Countries: \$3/\$30)

Oils and Fats, March

1986 Catalogue number 32-006

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Production, Shipments and Stocks

on Hand of Sawmills East of the

Rockies, April 1986

Catalogue number 35-002

(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Factory Shipments of High

Pressure Decorative Laminate

Sheet, Quarter Ended June 1986

Catalogue number 47-005

(Canada: \$3/\$12; Other Countries: \$4/\$16)

Characteristics of Teachers in Public

Elementary and Secondary Schools,

1984-85 Catalogue number 81-202

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Major Releases

Private and Public Investment, Revised Intentions 1986

- Total capital expenditures during 1986 are expected to reach \$86,647 million

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Employment, Earnings and Hours, May 1986

- Average weekly earnings for all employees were estimated at \$429.34 – up 2.9% from a year earlier

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Census of Manufactures, 1984

- 36,484 reporting establishments had shipments of goods of own manufacture totalling \$230,070 million – an increase of 13.2% over 1983

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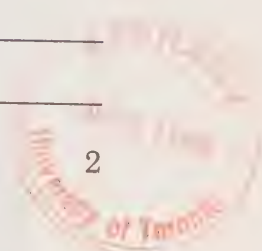
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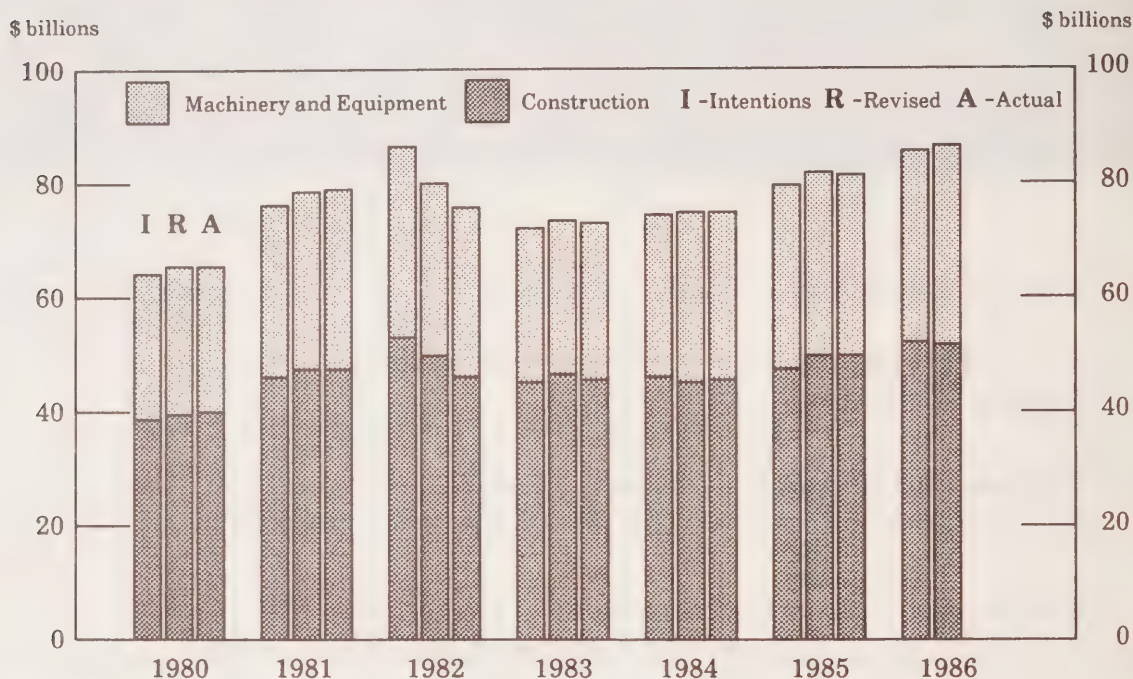
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Total Capital Expenditures (current dollars)



Private and Public Investment

Revised Intentions 1986

Current estimates of revised investment intentions for 1986 confirm the moderate year-to-year increase announced in March. The increase of 4.6% in the earlier total capital expenditures has been revised upwards to 5.6% to a level of \$86,647 million. The upward revision would have been sharper but for the cutback in the investment intentions reported for petroleum and gas wells. If these intentions are realized, the increase in capital expenditures for 1986 will be well above the year-to-year increases of 2.5% recorded in 1984 but still below the 8.9% reported in 1985.

Experience in earlier years shows that on balance actual capital expenditures have exceeded revised intentions, although by varying amounts: marginally in 1980, 1981 and 1984 and within a wide range (0.2% to 7.5%) between 1973 and 1980. The exceptions were in

1982 and 1983 when realizations fell below intentions.

Movements by sector varied considerably. In the case of business, intentions were revised downwards to 1.7% from 2.5% announced three months ago. It is probable that developments influencing the drilling programs for petroleum and gas wells did not have time to influence intentions to invest in February but have done so now.

The drop in spending intentions on petroleum and gas wells (which account for the largest share in total business capital expenditure) was reinforced by smaller revisions made by the transportation group. Partial offsets came from the chemical industries; from the trade-finance-commercial group and from utilities. For manufacturing as a whole, intentions were revised up to almost 27% from the 17% expected earlier in the year. If realized, this rate of spending would exceed the 1984/1985 change of 24%.

In contrast to the business group, more strength is shown for capital spending by the public sector of institutions and governments where an increase of 8.5% is expected in 1986. Hospitals, schools and universities all show gains as do provincial and municipal governments. The federal component, however, continued to show no signs of matching the rate of expenditures during the last year. Projections for expenditures on housing were also revised upward, from a reported increase of 15% earlier to the current 17.8% above 1985. The net effect of all these revisions on the subtotal of public investment plus housing brings it up to a gain of 13.5% from 8.7%.

Provincially, Ontario and Quebec exceeded the national average with increases of 16.2% and 7.4% respectively and showed most of the year-over-year growth. Manitoba, at 10.3%, also posted a significant gain. The Northwest Territories, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland, reflected the curtailment of drilling programs of petroleum and gas wells.

The following tables provide a summary of the industry year-to-year changes as well as the totals by industry and province.

Additional statistics for the provinces by industry, or according to private or public categories, can be obtained from CANSIM: matrices (for the revised intentions 1986) are 1188, 1192, 1196, 1200, 1204, 1208, 1212, 1216, 1220, 1224, 1228 and 1244-1257. Matrices (for the first intentions 1986) and the preceding years are 1190, 1194, 1198, 1202, 1206, 1210, 1214, 1218, 1222, 1226, 1230 and 1066-1079.

Order *Private and Public Investment in Canada, Revised Intentions, 1986* (61-206, \$25), available mid-August. Contact: Duncan Lusick or Justin Lacroix (613-990-9815), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division. Regional offices of Statistics Canada may also be contacted.

Total Capital Expenditures

1976 to 1986

Year	January Intentions	Revised Intentions	Realizations or Actual	Actual vs. January Intentions	Actual vs. Revised Intentions
		(Millions)		%	%
Business Sector					
1976	26,284	26,858	26,252	-0.1	-2.3
1977	28,496	29,075	28,505	0.0	-2.0
1978	30,147	31,266	31,528	4.6	0.8
1979	34,865	36,481	38,960	11.7	6.8
1980	44,226	45,787	46,382	4.9	1.3
1981	54,936	56,964	56,340	2.6	-1.1
1982	63,133	57,369	55,354	-12.3	-3.5
1983	50,358	50,077	49,338	-2.0	-1.5
1984	49,569	50,696	50,081	1.0	-1.2
1985	54,399	56,125	55,091	1.3	-1.8
1986	56,495	56,009	-	-	-
Housing, Institutions and Governments					
1976	15,670	15,742	17,385	10.9	10.4
1977	16,953	17,434	18,092	6.7	3.8
1978	18,836	18,685	18,832	0.0	0.8
1979	19,858	19,961	19,394	-2.3	-2.8
1980	20,111	20,149	19,811	-1.5	-1.7
1981	21,587	22,334	23,264	7.8	4.2
1982	24,039	23,209	21,407	-10.9	-7.8
1983	22,408	23,721	24,181	7.9	1.9
1984	25,492	24,631	24,568	-3.6	-0.3
1985	25,729	25,978	26,999	4.9	3.9
1986	29,357	30,639	-	-	-
All Industries					
1976	41,954	42,599	43,636	4.0	2.4
1977	45,450	46,509	46,598	2.5	0.2
1978	48,983	49,951	50,360	2.8	0.8
1979	54,723	56,442	58,354	6.6	3.4
1980	64,337	65,936	66,193	2.9	0.4
1981	76,523	79,298	79,604	4.0	0.4
1982	87,172	80,578	76,761	-11.9	-4.7
1983	72,766	73,798	73,519	1.0	-0.4
1984	75,061	75,327	75,378	0.4	0.1
1985	80,128	82,102	82,091 ¹	2.4	-
1986	85,852	86,648	-	-	-

¹ 1985 is subject to one more update to represent realizations or actual outlays.

- Nil.

Comparison of Capital Expenditures

	Total capital			% Change	
	(Millions of \$)				
	1985 Prelimi- nary	1986 Inten- tions	1986 Revised Inten- tions	Inten- tions 1986 vs. Prelimi- nary 1985	Revised Intentions 1986 vs. Prelimi- nary 1985
Agriculture/fishing	3,867	3,594	3,105	-7.1	-19.7
Forestry	203	209	234	3.0	15.3
Mining	10,667	9,859	7,668	-7.6	-28.1
Construction	1,413	1,467	1,459	3.8	3.3
Manufacturing	11,003	12,887	13,942	17.1	26.7
Utilities	13,550	13,307	13,979	-1.8	3.2
Trade	2,332	2,446	2,510	4.9	7.6
Finance	5,531	5,829	5,868	5.4	6.1
Commercial	6,524	6,896	7,244	5.7	11.0
Sub-total Business	55,090	56,494	56,009	2.5	1.7
Institutions	3,025	3,181	3,422	5.2	13.1
Government departments	9,538	9,575	10,205	0.4	7.0
Sub-total Social	12,563	12,756	13,627	1.5	8.5
Housing	14,437	16,600	17,011	15.0	17.8
Grand Total	82,090	85,850	86,647	4.6	5.6

Summary of Provinces and Territories

1985 to 1986¹

(millions of dollars)

Item No.	Capital Expenditures	Construction	Machinery and Equipment	Total
Atlantic Region:				
1 Newfoundland	1985	1,397	439	1,836
	1986	1,204	545	1,749
	1986	1,282	561	1,842
2 Prince-Edward-Island	1985	159	87	246
	1986	171	75	246
	1986	176	78	254
3 Nova Scotia	1985	1,930	943	2,874
	1986	1,558	898	2,457
	1986	1,633	822	2,454
4 New Brunswick	1985	1,018	747	1,764
	1986	984	669	1,653
	1986	1,006	678	1,684
5 Sub-total (items 1 to 4)	1985	4,504	2,216	6,720
	1986	3,917	2,187	6,105
	1986	4,097	2,139	6,234
6 Quebec	1985	9,967	7,013	16,980
	1986	10,362	7,224	17,585
	1986	10,696	7,534	18,230
7 Ontario	1985	15,113	13,422	28,535
	1986	16,923	15,079	32,002
	1986	17,287	15,873	33,161
Prairie Region:				
8 Manitoba	1985	1,669	1,188	2,857
	1986	1,931	1,180	3,111
	1986	2,007	1,146	3,153
9 Saskatchewan	1985	2,436	1,459	3,894
	1986	2,356	1,410	3,766
	1986	2,278	1,406	3,684
10 Alberta	1985	9,153	3,551	12,704
	1986	10,207	3,645	13,852
	1986	8,603	3,573	12,176
11 Sub-total (items 8 to 10)	1985	13,258	6,198	19,455
	1986	14,494	6,235	20,729
	1986	12,888	6,125	19,013
12 British Columbia	1985	5,991	2,872	8,864
	1986	5,359	2,912	8,271
	1986	5,922	3,079	9,000
13 Yukon and Northwest Territories	1985	1,364	173	1,537
	1986	989	172	1,160
	1986	846	164	1,010
14 Canada (items 5, 6, 7, 11, 12 and 13)	1985	50,197	31,894	82,091
	1986	52,044	33,809	85,852
	1986	51,736	34,914	86,648

¹ Preliminary actual 1985, followed by intentions 1986, and then revised intentions 1986.

Employment, Earnings and Hours

May 1986 (data not seasonally adjusted)

Preliminary data on employment, payrolls and hours for May 1986 showed an estimated 9,167,000 employees at the Canada industrial aggregate level¹, an increase of 110,000 (1.2%) from the previous month (not adjusted for seasonal variation). This represents a smaller increase than that which took place at the same period during the past three years, and leaves the industrial aggregate employment level only 1.2% above the estimate of a year ago. Average weekly earnings for all employees were estimated at \$429.34 for May (little changed from April) and 2.9% above the level of May 1985 (not adjusted for inflation).

Employment

The number of employees in the goods-producing industries increased by 2.5% from April 1986 – a relatively small increase when compared to the movement observed for the same month in previous years. Smaller than usual increases in the forestry, mines, quarries and oil wells and construction industries contributed to this lower rate of growth.

Employment increases were also smaller than usual in most service-producing industries. Transportation, communication and other utilities and finance, insurance and real estate reported only slight gains from the previous month.

The total number of employees at the Canada industrial aggregate level increased by an estimated 105,000 (1.2%) over May of last year. The service-producing industries accounted for most of this increase (91,000) with employment gains noted mainly in community, business and personal services. The estimated number of employees in the goods-producing industries increased by only 14,000; increases in manufacturing were offset by declines in forestry, mines, quarries and oil wells and construction.

At the provincial level, the increases from April to May were smaller than usual in Ontario, Saskatchewan and British Columbia, while the number of employees in Alberta actually decreased.

Compared to May 1985, employment growth was greatest in Quebec (+2.7%) while Alberta registered a significant decline (-3.0%).

Earnings

Average weekly earnings for all employees in the Canada industrial aggregate remained virtually unchanged between April and May. Slight gains in the service-producing industries during this period were offset by declines in the goods-producing industries. At the industry level, average weekly earnings were marginally lower in mines, quarries and oil wells and higher in community, business and personal services, when compared to the previous month.

Compared to last year, total average weekly earnings increased by \$12.13 (2.9%). This is the same annual rate of change observed in April but represents a lower increase than that recorded in each of the first three months of the year. Weekly earnings in the service-producing industries rose by 3.2% from May 1985, with finance, insurance and real estate and trade showing the largest increases. The annual rate of change in the goods-producing industries (2.3% in May) has been declining steadily since January 1986, when it was 4.3%.

At the provincial level, changes in average weekly earnings between April and May were small. In Quebec and in British Columbia, where increases usually occur at this time of year, there was almost no change. The annual rate of change in both provinces has declined steadily since the beginning of the year.

Hours and Hourly Earnings

At the Canada industrial aggregate level, the average weekly hours for full-time and part-time employees paid by the hour (who account for approximately 47% of industrial aggregate employment) increased to an estimated 32.3 in May 1986, a smaller than usual rise from the previous month. The average hours for the service-producing industries increased marginally to 28.8 in May, while the average for goods-producing industries declined slightly to 38.6.

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Average hourly earnings of employees paid by the hour remained virtually unchanged from April 1986 at \$10.71. The goods-producing and service-producing industries were also unchanged at \$12.43 and \$9.46 respectively.

¹ *The industrial aggregate is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture; fishing and trapping; religious organizations; private households and military personnel.*

(see table on page 9)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 8003-9000, 9584-9638.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, \$35/\$350), available at the end of August. Contact: R. Arsenault (613-990-9900), Labour Division.

Employment, Earnings and Hours,
May 1986
(data not seasonally adjusted)

Industry Group - Canada (1970 S.I.C.)	All Employees					
	Number			Average Weekly Earnings		
	May 1986 ^p	Apr. 1986 ^r	Mar. 1986 ^r	May 1986 ^p	Apr. 1986 ^r	Mar. 1986 ^r
	thousands			dollars		
Forestry	44.4	39.5	42.6	572.66	591.60	609.44
Mines, quarries and oil wells	144.0	142.9	153.7	707.31	715.04	715.90
Manufacturing	1,765.7	1,731.1	1,705.6	500.65	502.70	503.48
Durables	849.5	835.8	828.3	532.86	536.23	534.78
Non-durables	916.3	895.3	877.3	470.78	471.40	473.93
Construction	375.1	359.5	333.3	497.91	511.34	505.48
Building	316.4	305.7	283.8	476.11	491.48	485.15
Indust. and heavy	58.7	53.8	49.6	615.40	624.10	621.87
Goods-producing industries	2,329.2	2,272.9	2,235.2	514.36	518.96	520.40
Transportation, communication and other utilities	803.8	796.6	798.8	558.40	558.21	552.17
Transportation	454.9	449.8	452.6	512.88	512.64	507.13
Storage	11.7	13.0	12.4	554.65	556.91	555.40
Communication	221.1	220.1	220.3	590.50	590.03	582.02
Electric power, gas and water utilities	116.0	113.6	113.5	676.06	677.12	673.48
Trade	1,644.2	1,617.2	1,575.8	319.82	316.02	314.64
Wholesale	485.0	475.5	469.3	442.68	440.58	434.65
Retail	1,159.2	1,141.7	1,106.6	268.41	264.15	263.75
Finance, insurance and real estate	574.1	572.0	562.7	453.38	452.07	446.56
Community, business and personal services	3,161.1	3,143.8	3,102.6	363.45	359.70	361.16
Public administration	654.4	654.2	649.8	540.51	540.60	540.89
Service-producing industries	6,837.6	6,783.7	6,689.6	400.38	397.83	397.65
Industrial aggregate	9,166.9	9,056.6	8,924.8	429.34	428.23	428.39
Industrial aggregate - Provinces						
Newfoundland	127.9	123.5	118.5	402.24	404.32	407.88
Prince Edward Island	30.4	29.4	28.1	350.58	346.05	352.06
Nova Scotia	256.4	250.8	248.1	389.44	387.95	387.00
New Brunswick	195.4	188.3	180.0	395.01	395.73	401.16
Quebec	2,302.8	2,251.4	2,203.1	416.50	416.15	415.37
Ontario	3,763.8	3,733.3	3,687.6	439.29	437.20	436.24
Manitoba	366.0	359.6	354.1	399.92	397.91	396.30
Saskatchewan	280.4	277.7	275.1	401.48	398.42	397.97
Alberta	855.1	858.0	862.5	444.36	443.30	448.63
British Columbia	962.2	958.9	942.0	447.76	447.80	448.30
Yukon	8.6	8.0	7.9	477.52	483.95	484.77
Northwest Territories	17.9	17.6	17.9	568.78	561.43	571.87
Canada	9,166.9	9,056.6	8,924.8	429.34	428.23	428.39

^p preliminary estimates
^r revised estimates

Employment, Earnings and Hours – Concluded

May 1986

(data not seasonally adjusted)

Industry Group – Canada (1970 S.I.C.)	Employees Paid by the Hour					
	Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	May 1986 ^p	Apr. 1986 ^r	Mar. 1986 ^r	May 1986 ^p	Apr. 1986 ^r	Mar. 1986 ^r
	number			dollars		
Forestry	37.6	39.1	40.3	16.81	17.17	16.90
Mines, quarrie and oil wells	39.2	39.1	39.7	15.78	15.95	15.93
Manufacturing	39.0	39.0	39.0	11.83	11.84	11.90
Durables	40.2	40.4	40.2	12.37	12.40	12.44
Non-durables	37.7	37.6	37.6	11.23	11.21	11.27
Construction	37.0	37.5	36.6	13.88	14.28	14.42
Building	36.4	37.0	36.2	13.58	14.04	14.13
Indust. and heavy	39.9	40.4	39.1	15.34	15.53	15.94
Goods-producing industries	38.6	38.8	38.6	12.43	12.51	12.57
Transportation, communication and other utilities	38.1	38.0	38.0	13.87	13.88	13.83
Transportation	38.1	37.7	37.8	13.39	13.40	13.37
Storage	36.2	37.8	37.1	14.05	14.01	13.91
Communication	36.1	36.6	36.6	14.29	14.35	14.28
Electric power, gas and water utilities	40.0	40.4	40.2	15.57	15.52	15.41
Trade	29.1	28.5	28.4	8.17	8.21	8.21
Wholesale	36.9	36.5	35.9	9.63	9.71	9.73
Retail	27.4	26.8	26.9	7.76	7.78	7.79
Finance, insurance and real estate	...	...	...	...	...	...
Community, business and personal services	27.1	26.8	26.9	9.14	9.13	9.23
Public administration	...	...	...	...	...	...
Service-producing industries	28.8	28.5	28.6	9.46	9.47	9.53
Industrial aggregate	32.3	32.1	32.1	10.71	10.75	10.81
Industrial aggregate – Provinces						
Newfoundland	34.3	34.0	34.4	9.44	9.52	9.56
Prince Edward Island	32.1	30.3	31.0	7.52	7.57	7.68
Nova Scotia	33.2	32.8	32.9	9.44	9.40	9.32
New Brunswick	33.7	33.8	33.5	9.67	9.75	9.98
Quebec	32.8	32.9	32.6	10.40	10.42	10.46
Ontario	32.9	32.8	32.8	10.71	10.73	10.75
Manitoba	32.0	31.6	31.4	10.00	9.94	9.95
Saskatchewan	29.1	28.7	28.7	10.39	10.37	10.39
Alberta	30.1	29.8	30.5	10.68	10.72	10.95
British Columbia	30.3	30.0	30.0	12.61	12.82	12.95
Yukon	31.1	31.4	30.5	11.82	11.64	11.67
Northwest Territories	33.0	32.2	33.2	13.92	13.70	13.65
Canada	32.3	32.1	32.1	10.71	10.75	10.81

p preliminary estimates

r revised estimates

... figures not appropriate or not applicable

Census of Manufactures, 1984

Preliminary figures from the 1984 Census of Manufactures indicate that the 36,484 reporting establishments had shipments of goods of own manufacture totalling \$230,070 million, up 13.2% from the revised \$203,314 million reported by 35,287 establishments in 1983. The total value added for 1984 came to \$94,045 million, up 15.1% from \$81,719 million in 1983.

The number of workers employed by these manufacturers reached 1.72 million in 1984, up 3.0% from 1.67 million in 1983. Total wages and salaries paid amounted to \$43,076 million, a gain of 8.8% over the 1983 figure of \$39,609 million.

The accompanying table shows selected principal statistics for Canada and the provinces for all manufacturing industries.

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Contact: R. Staveley or G. Welsh (613-990-9496), Industry Division. Complete data will be published later in *Manufacturing Industries of Canada: National and Provincial Areas, 1984* (31-203, \$50).

1984 Census of Manufactures – Selected Principal Statistics of the Manufacturing Industries of Canada, by Province*

Province	Manufacturing activity							
	No. of esta- blish- ments	Production and related workers			Cost of fuel and elec- tricity	Cost of materials and sup- plies used	Value of shipments of goods of own manu- facture	Value added
		Number	Person- hours paid '000	Wages				
							\$'000	
Newfoundland	333	13,015	27,456	249,914	95,662	570,330	1,170,301	524,353
Prince Edward Island	146	2,340	4,876	35,327	10,759	188,943	289,047	87,158
Nova Scotia	840	25,767	53,877	522,692	220,444	2,818,425	4,595,416	1,631,118
New Brunswick	675	21,193	44,457	434,921	287,176	2,661,206	4,092,301	1,150,595
Quebec	10,649	355,584	726,100	7,379,825	2,063,150	32,148,316	56,990,487	23,641,769
Ontario	15,263	627,517	1,330,996	14,669,948	3,088,475	72,327,466	121,726,422	47,051,974
Manitoba	1,290	37,765	77,136	736,830	154,586	2,828,560	5,036,113	2,108,740
Saskatchewan	777	12,873	26,410	308,959	106,034	1,836,727	2,851,551	946,463
Alberta	2,481	47,903	99,811	1,213,741	527,456	10,556,225	15,287,844	4,341,755
British Columbia	3,981	96,627	191,818	2,737,296	751,786	10,168,769	17,979,295	7,161,347
Yukon	8	50	126	991	65	1,496	3,965	2,462
Northwest Territories	21	182	423	4,108	788	27,164	47,347	19,926
Canada 1984	36,484	1,240,816	2,583,486	28,294,553	7,306,383	136,133,629	230,070,091	88,667,660
Canada 1983 [†]	35,287	1,193,912	2,455,229	25,763,545	6,637,059	119,759,106	203,313,746	76,895,569
Percentage Change	+3.4	+3.9	+5.2	+9.8	+10.1	+13.7	+13.2	+15.3

Province	Total activity							
	Working owners and part- ners	Administrative, office and other non-manufacturing employees		Total employees		Total cost of materials, supplies and goods for re-sale	Total value of shipments and other revenue	Value added
				Number	Salaries and wages			
		Number	Salaries \$'000					
							\$'000	
Newfoundland	82	2,892	73,120	15,907	323,034	733,078	1,360,015	551,319
Prince Edward Island	40	623	14,350	2,963	49,677	232,580	344,169	98,643
Nova Scotia	175	9,257	253,782	35,024	776,473	3,445,027	5,314,504	1,723,604
New Brunswick	120	7,338	196,406	28,531	631,327	2,917,418	4,383,506	1,185,589
Quebec	1,619	129,299	3,798,478	484,883	11,178,303	35,829,698	61,537,263	24,507,163
Ontario	1,805	253,410	7,976,671	880,927	22,646,619	93,796,505	147,105,588	50,962,100
Manitoba	163	13,538	357,205	51,303	1,094,035	3,435,656	5,726,410	2,191,941
Saskatchewan	97	5,988	169,834	18,861	478,793	2,008,688	3,043,664	966,615
Alberta	130	23,545	732,605	71,448	1,946,346	11,310,294	16,165,710	4,465,552
British Columbia	473	35,285	1,207,540	131,912	3,944,837	11,183,457	19,201,710	7,369,074
Yukon	1	15	330	65	1,321	1,743	4,305	2,554
Northwest Territories	6	38	1,141	220	5,249	29,316	50,111	20,538
Canada 1984	4,711	481,228	14,781,462	1,722,044	43,076,015	164,923,460	264,236,955	94,044,693
Canada 1983†	4,539	477,228	13,845,566	1,671,140	39,609,111	143,453,528	231,831,663	81,719,064
Percentage Change	+3.8	+0.8	+6.8	+3.0	+8.8	+15.0	+14.0	+15.1

* preliminary figures

– nil

† revised figures

Note: components may not add to totals due to rounding

Data Availability Announcement

Road Motor Vehicles: Fuel Sales 1985

Gross sales of gasoline in Canada during 1985 totalled 18 953 million litres, while net sales were reported at 14 070 million litres.

It should be noted that Ontario and Saskatchewan were unable to supply data to the 1985 survey.

Order the 1985 issue of *Road Motor Vehicles - Fuel Sales* (53-218, \$10), scheduled for release at the end of August. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Transportation Division.

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Unemployment Insurance Statistics May 1986

Seasonally Adjusted Data

For the week ending May 17, 1986 preliminary estimates show that the number of beneficiaries receiving regular unemployment insurance benefits totalled 965,000 – an increase of 2.3% or 22,000 persons from a month earlier. This is only the third time that a small monthly increase has been noted since the number of beneficiaries started to decline in November 1984.

Between April and May 1986, increases were observed in Alberta (11.7%) and in the Northwest Territories (6.8%), while a decrease occurred in Prince Edward Island (-4.6%). The remaining provinces showed little or no change.

Data Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation

The total number of beneficiaries¹ in May 1986 stood at 1,080,000 – down 9.5% from April 1986 and down 6.0% from May 1985. A total of 57.1% of these beneficiaries were male and 42.9% were female. The number of males decreased in May 1986 to 617,000 – down 13.2% from the previous month while the number of female beneficiaries declined 4.2% to 464,000.

Benefits paid during May 1986 totalled \$849 million¹, a decrease of 21.9% from April 1986 and a decline of 5.8% from May 1985. Decreases in benefit payments are commonly observed between April and May. Disbursements for the first five months of 1986 amounted to \$4,979 million, 1.9% less than what was paid during the same period in 1985. The change in the year-to-date payments is the result of a 7.1% decrease in the number of benefit weeks (to 27,564,000 from 29,667,000)

which was partly offset by a 5.5% increase in the average weekly benefit (to \$180.86 from \$171.39).

Employment and Immigration Canada offices received 221,000 claims for unemployment insurance benefits during May 1986, a decrease of 17.0% from a month earlier but an increase of 0.5% from May 1985. The decline between April and May follows the seasonal pattern of past years. Since the start of 1986, a total of 1,298,000 claims have been received, 2.2% fewer than between January and May last year.

(see table on page 3)

¹The count of beneficiaries cannot be directly related to the benefit payments made during any one month. Whereas the latter figure covers all disbursements during a month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons who qualified for benefits during a specific week of a month. The number of days available during a month to process claims and to pay benefits influences the levels and trends of the benefits and claims data. The beneficiaries count is not affected since it relates to a single week. In making short-term comparisons it is not uncommon to observe different trends between the beneficiaries and the other data series.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 26 (series 1.6) and 5700-5717.

Data for the months of March, April and May 1986 will be published in the May 1986 issue of *Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001, \$12/\$120), available at the beginning of August. Contact: H. Stiebert or J.-P. Maynard (613-990-9900), Labour Division.

Unemployment Insurance Statistics May 1986

	May 1986	April 1986	March 1986	May 1985	% change from	
					April 1986	May 1985
Benefits¹						
Amount paid (\$000)	848,933	1,086,642	920,575	900,767	-21.9	-5.8
Weeks of benefit (000)	4,723	6,008	5,088	5,307	-21.4	-11.0
Average weekly benefit (\$)	179.78	181.07	181.31	169.93	-0.7	5.8
Claims received (000)	221	267	214	220	-17.0	0.5
Beneficiaries² (000)						
Total	1,080 ^p	1,194 ^p	1,270 ^r	1,149 ^r	-9.5	-6.0
Regular benefits	957 ^p	1,063 ^p	1,133 ^r	1,015 ^r	-9.9	-5.7
Regular benefits - Seasonally adjusted	965 ^p	943 ^p	958 ^r	1,023 ^r	2.3	

	January to May		% change 1986/1985
	1986	1985	
Benefits¹			
Amount paid (\$000)	4,978,799	5,076,127	-1.9
Weeks of benefit (000)	27,564	29,667	-7.1
Average weekly benefit (\$)	180.86	171.39	5.5
Claims received (000)	1,298	1,328	-2.2
Beneficiaries - Year-to-date average² (000)	1,222^p	1,328^r	-8.0

¹ Amount paid and weeks of benefit include work sharing and job creation. However, average weekly benefit excludes these amounts in order to maintain comparability with previous data.

² The beneficiaries include all claimants who receive benefits through the computer pay system. Excluded are year-round fishermen, a few seasonal fishermen and a small number of work sharing and job creation claimants who are paid through the manual pay system.

^p preliminary figures.

^r revised figures.

Data Availability Announcements

Coastwise Shipping Statistics

First Quarter 1986

Preliminary figures indicate that total cargo tonnage handled in coastwise shipping during the first quarter of 1986 totalled 14 574 497 tonnes, a 3% drop from the same period in 1985.

The top three commodities, logs and bolts, fuel oil, and pulpwood, accounted for 62.5% of the total cargo tonnage handled during the first quarter of 1986. Their respective tonnages (in thousands), with the corresponding figures for the first quarter of 1985 in brackets, were as follows:

● Logs and bolts	4 438	(4 274);
● Fuel oil	2 765	(2 969);
● Pulpwood	1 903	(1 759).

The province of British Columbia accounted for 68.3% of the total tonnage handled during the first quarter of 1986, up five percentage points from its corresponding share the previous year.

In terms of the cumulative gross register tonnage British Columbia accounted for 28% of the total vessel capacity registered during the first three months of 1986. A year earlier, Newfoundland accounted for the largest G.R.T. share, with 25.2% of the total.

The 1986 issue of *Coastwise Shipping Statistics* (54-210, \$42) is scheduled to be released in July 1987. Contact: Gaston Levesque (613-990-8696), Marine Transport Unit, Transportation Division.

Steel Ingots

Week Ended July 26, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending July 26, 1986 totalled 219 369 tonnes, a decrease of 7.5% from the preceding week's total of 237 155 tonnes and down 8.0% from the year-earlier level of 238 470 tonnes.

The cumulative total in 1986 was 8 138 228 tonnes, a decrease of 1.8% from 8 284 176 tonnes for the same period in 1985.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder

June 1986

Production of process cheese in June 1986 totalled 6 784 132 kilograms, up 2.7% from May 1986 and up 0.2% from June 1985. The 1986 cumulative year-to-date production totalled 33 810 135 kilograms, down from the corresponding 1985 amount of 34 189 459 kilograms (revised figures).

Total production of instant skim milk powder during the month was 627 860 kilograms - an increase of 33.0% from May 1986 and an advance of 33.9% from June 1985. The 1986 cumulative year-to-date production totalled 3 279 268 kilograms, down from the 3 616 599 kilograms reported for the corresponding period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 188 (series 1.10).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Production and Inventories of Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder* (32-024, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 4. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Electric Power Statistics

May 1986

Net generation of electric energy in Canada totalled 34 727 gigawatt hours in May 1986 - up 2.4 % from a year earlier. Exports of electric energy decreased 14.5% to 3 077 gigawatt hours while imports increased to 450 gigawatt from 445 gigawatt.

Year-to-date figures show net generation at 197 599 gigawatt hours, up 2.7% over the January to May 1985 period. Exports, at 15 892 gigawatt hours, were down 1.4% and imports (2 608 gigawatt hours) climbed 87.6%.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3987-3999.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, \$8/\$80), available the second week in August. Contact: Dave Madsen (613-991-3565), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Road Motor Vehicles - Registrations

1985

Canada's provincial and territorial governments reported 11,088,712 passenger automobile registrations during the 1985 licence year.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 356, 359, 360, 363, 364, 367, 368, 371, 372, 375, 376, 379 and 380.

Order the 1985 issue of *Road Motor Vehicles - Registrations* (53-219, \$10/\$11), scheduled for release in October. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Transportation Division.

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Industrial Product Price Index June 1986

Preliminary estimates show that there was no change in the Industrial Product Price Index (IPPI, 1981=100) in June 1986, following declines in four consecutive months. The drop in prices for lumber, petroleum and coal products was offset by increases for meat, pulp and paper, and primary metal products.

At 0.3%, the advance of the IPPI from June 1985 to June 1986 was identical to that observed from May 1985 to May 1986. With the petroleum and coal products component excluded, the annual rate of change would have been 3.3% in June.

Preliminary estimates show that prices of petroleum and coal products fell by 2.6% in June 1986, reaching a level 21.3% below the level for June 1985. Prices for softwood lumber fell 3.0% in June, primarily on the export

markets. However, recent increases in hog prices led to a substantial rise in prices for various cuts of pork (15.1%), ham (4.6%) and bacon (3.7%). Owing mainly to the 0.8% decline in the Canadian dollar, export prices quoted in US currency rose by 1.0% for wood pulp and by 0.7% for newsprint. Finally, in the case of several metals, refinery-shape prices increased significantly in June. For example, prices for lead rose by 25.6% and zinc shapes were up 12.3% from May 1986.

(see table on page 3)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1960-1967 and 1970.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, \$15/\$150), available towards the end of August. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Industrial Product Price Indexes

(1981 = 100)

Index	Relative Importance ¹	Index June 1986 ²	% Change	
			June 1986/ May 1986	June 1986/ June 1985
Industrial product price index - Total	100.0	118.9	0	0.3
Intermediate goods				
First stage intermediate goods	61.6	114.8	-0.1	-0.3
Second stage intermediate goods	14.6	104.6	0.5	0.8
	47.0	118.0	-0.3	-0.7
Finished goods				
Finished foods and feeds	38.4	125.5	0.2	1.1
Capital equipment	10.3	126.5	0.9	4.5
All other finished goods	10.2	128.3	0.2	3.6
	17.9	123.3	-0.3	-2.1
Aggregation by commodities:				
Meat, fish and dairy products				
Fruit, vegetable, feed, miscellaneous food products	7.7	118.0	1.8	2.7
Beverages	7.0	116.9	-0.3	3.3
Tobacco and tobacco products	1.9	139.3	0.4	6.4
Rubber, leather, plastic fabric products	0.7	142.7	1.9	5.2
Textile products	2.8	118.0	0.1	4.1
Knitted products and clothing	2.4	111.1	0.1	1.0
Lumber, sawmill, other wood products	2.4	116.8	0.1	2.7
Furniture and fixtures	4.3	118.3	-1.7	5.1
Paper and paper products	1.5	126.4	0.1	3.6
Printing and publishing	8.1	115.9	0.7	2.7
Primary metal products	2.4	133.2	0.4	3.8
Metal fabricated products	8.8	108.6	0.8	2.2
Machinery and equipment	5.3	121.7	0.1	2.7
Autos, trucks, other transportation equipment	4.8	122.5	0.2	2.3
Electrical and communication products	11.6	132.3	0.4	4.2
Non-metallic mineral products	5.0	122.8	0.3	2.9
Petroleum and coal products ³	2.5	130.2	0.2	5.4
Chemical, chemical products	10.7	105.1	-2.6	-21.3
Miscellaneous manufactured products	7.1	116.7	-0.3	1.8
Miscellaneous non-manufactured commodities	2.3	124.6	-0.2	5.1
	0.8	95.2	1.0	0

¹ Weights are derived from the "make" matrix of the 1981 Input/Output table.

² Indexes are preliminary.

³ This index is estimated for the current month.

Raw Materials Price Index

June 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that the Raw Materials Price Index (RMPI, 1981=100) increased by 1.9% in June 1986 from the May level. This was the second increase in a row after four months of decline. The increase in June was attributable mainly to an estimated 4.6% rise for the mineral fuels component index and a 3.2% increase for the non-ferrous metals component index. From June 1985 to June 1986 the RMPI fell 21.0%. The RMPI excluding mineral fuels showed a 0.2% increase over the month and a 2.1% increase over the year. Of the seven components making up the Raw Materials Price Index, four registered increases, two decreased, and one did not change.

Despite the 4.6% increase for the mineral fuels component index in June, it is still 41.6%

below its year-earlier level. Crude oil prices were estimated to have risen 6.1% in June to a level that remains 48% lower than in June 1985.

A 3.2% increase was registered by the non-ferrous metals component index - 4.0% higher than a year ago. An increase in lead materials prices, up about 25% in June and over the year, was the main reason for the higher component index level.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 1980.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, \$15/\$150), available towards the end of August. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Raw Materials Price Index

(1981=100)

	Relative Importance	Index June 1986 ¹	% Change	
			June 1986/ May 1986	June 1986/ June 1985
Raw materials total	100	92.4	1.9	-21.0
Mineral fuels	45	79.7	4.6	-41.6
Vegetable product	11	90.3	-3.3	-2.9
Animal and animal products	20	109.4	0.6	2.7
Wood products	8	109.0	-0.3	3.9
Ferrous materials	2	110.4	0.3	1.3
Non-ferrous metals	11	91.4	3.2	4.0
Non-metallic minerals	3	128.9	0	3.0
Total excluding mineral fuels	55	102.9	0.2	2.1

¹ These indexes are preliminary.

Data Availability Announcements

Oil Pipeline Transport

May 1986

Highlights

- Net receipts of crude oil and refined products into Canadian pipelines totalled 11 994 640 cubic metres during May 1986, a decrease of 8.3% from May 1985. Year-to-date receipts, at 61 087 877 cubic metres, were down 2.3%.
- Pipeline exports of crude oil and equivalent amounted to 3 025 635 cubic metres - bringing the year-to-date total to 13 167 460 cubic metres - up 13.7% from the 1985 figure.
- Deliveries of crude oil by pipeline to Canadian refineries, at 4 891 177 cubic metres, were down 13.9% from the same month last year. Year-to-date deliveries totalled 24 937 206 cubic metres, down 8.0%.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 181.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Oil Pipeline Transport* (55-001, \$8/\$80), available the second week of August. Contact: G. O'Connor (613-991-3562), Industry Division.

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables

July 2, 1986

Stocks of fruit, frozen and in preservatives, in storage and factories at the opening of the first business day of July totalled 12 823 tonnes, down from 14 210 tonnes a year earlier. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 51 684 tonnes, up from 39 093 in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 9537-9543.

Order the July 1986 issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, \$8/\$80), scheduled for release August 14. Contact: Dave Burroughs (613-990-8714), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Rigid Insulating Board

June 1986

Shipments of rigid insulating board totalled 4 658 thousand square metres (12.7 mm basis) in June 1986, an increase of 2.7% from 4 536 thousand square metres (after revisions) in June 1985.

For January to June 1986, year-to-date shipments amounted to 25 985 thousand square metres (12.7 mm basis), a gain of 12.9% from the 23 010 thousand square metres (after revisions) shipped for the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 31 and 122 (series 4-7).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Rigid Insulating Board* (36-002, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 11. Contact: Katherine Blais (613-991-3531), Industry Division.

Asphalt Roofing

June 1986

Shipments of asphalt shingles totalled 3 272 372 bundles in June 1986, a decrease of 26.1% from the 4 426 969 bundles shipped a year earlier.

For January to June 1986, year-to-date shipments amounted to 16 671 700 bundles, an increase of 0.8% from the 16 544 847 bundles shipped for January-June 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 32 and 122 (series 27 and 28).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Asphalt Roofing* (45-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 11. Contact: Katherine Blais (613-991-3531), Industry Division.

Cement

June 1986

Manufacturers shipped 1 012 791 tonnes of cement in June 1986, a decrease of 0.5% from the 1 018 219 tonnes (revised figures) shipped a year earlier and a decline of 1.6% from the 1 029 351 tonnes shipped in May 1986.

January to June 1985 shipments reached 4 264 282 tonnes, up 11.0% from the 3 840 303 tonnes (revised figures) shipped during the first six months of 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 92 and 122 (series 13).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Cement* (44-001, \$4/\$40), available the week of August 11. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (991-3520), Industry Division.

Sawmills East of the Rockies

May 1986

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies totalled 1 892 489 cubic metres (801,991,000 feet board measure) in May 1986, up 0.6% from 1 787 342 cubic metres (757,433,000 feet board measure) after revisions in May 1985.

Stocks on hand at the end of May 1986 totalled 2 175 653 cubic metres (921,990,000 feet board measure), a decrease of 10.5% from 2 404 168 cubic metres (1,018,829,000 feet board measure) a year earlier.

Year-to-date production amounted to 8 803 379 cubic metres (3,730,661 000 feet board measure), an increase of 4.2% compared to 8 448 888 cubic metres (3,580,436,000 feet board measure) after revisions for the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 53 (except series 1.2) and 122 (series 2).

Order the May 1986 issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, \$8/\$80), to be released the week of August 11. Contact: Patrick E. Martin (613-991-3516), Industry Division.

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Construction Building Material Price Index: Residential

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The price index for residential construction building materials (1981=100) declined to 129.4 in June, down 0.2% from the previous month but up 7.8% from a year earlier.

Between May and June 1986, price decreases were recorded for lumber and plywood. These declines offset several increases – most notably for gypsum wallboard.

Between June 1985 and June 1986, structural materials rose 9.9%, followed by architectural materials (8.1%), mechanical materials (4.2%) and electrical materials (1.8%).

Available on CANSIM: matrix 423 (level 1).

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in August. Contact: the Information Service (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Construction Building Material Price Indexes: Residential (1981 = 100)

	June 1986	May 1986	June 1985	% Change	
				June 1986/ May 1986	June 1986/ June 1985
Total materials	129.4	129.7	120.0	-0.2	7.8
Architectural materials	129.1	129.1	119.4	–	8.1
Structural materials	133.1	134.3	121.1	-0.9	9.9
Mechanical materials	127.9	127.7	122.7	0.2	4.2
Electrical materials	119.9	120.1	117.8	-0.2	1.8

– Nil or zero.

Construction Building Material Price Index: Non-residential

June 1986

The non-residential construction building material price index (1981=100) declined to 126.0 in June 1986, a decrease of 0.1% from May but an increase of 5.6% from June 1985.

Between May and June 1986, price decreases were reported for lumber, plywood and foamed and expanded plastics. These declines more than offset price increases for gypsum wallboard and building wires and cables.

Between June 1985 and June 1986, structural materials rose 8.5%, followed by architectural materials (5.8%), mechanical materials (3.6%) and electrical materials (2.3%).

Available on CANSIM: matrix 423 (level 2).

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in August. Contact: the Information Service (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Construction Building Material Price Indexes: Non-residential (1981=100)

	June 1986	May 1986	June 1985	% Change	
				June 1986/ May 1986	June 1986/ June 1985
Total materials	126.0	126.1	119.3	-0.1	5.6
Architectural material	127.4	127.4	120.4	-	5.8
Structural materials	125.3	125.5	115.5	-0.2	8.5
Mechanical materials	127.8	127.7	123.4	0.1	3.6
Electrical materials	120.2	120.2	117.5	-	2.3

- Nil or zero.

Data Availability Announcements

Railway Carloadings

Seven Days Ending July 14, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the seven days ending July 7, 1986 totalled 4.4 million tonnes, a decrease of 0.2% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 26 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release the week of August 1. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Railway Carloadings

June 1986

Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada totalled 20.4 million tonnes in June 1986, a decrease of 0.5% from the previous year. Railway carriers received an additional 1.0 million tonnes from the United States, a decrease of 5.3% from June 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 1431.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, \$7.50/\$75), to be released the third week of August. For seasonally adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact the Rail Unit (613-990-8693), Transportation Division.

Coal and Coke Statistics

May 1986

Highlights

Canadian production of coal totalled 4 440 kilotonnes in May 1986, down 13.8% from a year earlier. January to May 1986 production was 24 770 kilotonnes, down 5.3% from the same period in 1985.

Exports of coal rose to 2 734 kilotonnes in May 1986, an advance of 25.9% from the previous year. Cumulative figures for the year show exports of 11 345 kilotonnes, 3.3% below the 1985 level.

Coke production totalled 394 kilotonnes, down 0.3% from May 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 9.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, \$8/\$80), available the third week of August. Contact: Dave Madsen (613-990-9823), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Gypsum Products

June 1986

Manufacturers shipped 23 453 411 square metres of plain gypsum wallboard in June 1986, up 27.9% from the 18 334 874 square metres (revised figures) shipped in June 1985 but down 5.1% from the 24 719 213 square metres shipped in May 1986. Year-to-date shipments were 140 534 527 square metres, an increase of 22.6% over the January to June 1985 period.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 39 and 122 (series 11 and 12).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Gypsum Products* (44-003, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 11. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.

Production of Biscuits

Second Quarter 1986

Production of biscuits (all types) totalled 46 827 088 kilograms, up 6.5% from the 43 967 408 kilograms produced during the second quarter of 1985. The cumulative year-to-date production for 1986 was 86 096 871 kilograms, down from 86 440 244 kilograms for the same period a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 190.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Production of Selected Biscuits* (32-026, \$5/\$20), to be released the week of August 11. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Sawmills in British Columbia

May 1986

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 3 140 300 cubic metres (1,330.8 million feet board measure) of lumber and ties in May 1986, an increase of 11.0% over the 2 829 600 cubic metres (1,199.1 million feet board measure) produced in May 1985.

January to May 1986 production reached 15 570 100 cubic metres (6,598.0 million feet board measure), an increase of 12.5% over the 13 835 400 cubic metres (5,863.1 million feet board measure) produced during the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 53 (series 1.2).

Order the May 1986 issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, \$6/\$60), to be released the week of August 11. Contact: Jock Dobie (604-666-2671), B.C. & Yukon Regional Office, Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 3C9.

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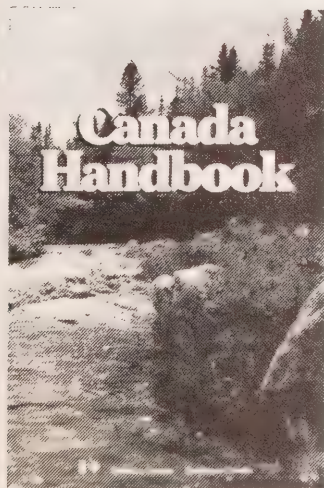
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Major Releases

Travel Between Canada and Other Countries

June 1986

Total Travel

Visits by residents of the United States represented the highest total since June 1972. The number of visits by residents of countries other than the United States increased very strongly over June 1985 but remained below the level attained in the same month of 1981.

Other highlights from the June issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* include:

- A second consecutive monthly decline in the number of re-entries by Canadian residents returning from visits to countries other than the United States, following a period of unprecedented growth that started in November 1984.
- Visits to the United States hit a new high for June. However, the increase was moderate and amounted to about a third of the rate of growth recorded in June 1985.

Long-term Travel

Estimates of long-term visits to Canada by residents of the United States and other countries showed very substantial increases to reach their highest June level since 1973 and 1972 respectively.

- Long-term travel by Canadian residents to the United States increased moderately. The level reached in the current month was similar to the June 1980 number.

The accompanying table shows traveller entries and re-entries for June 1986 covering total and long-term traffic as well as percentage changes from 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2661-2694.

Order the June 1986 issue of *International Travel - Advance Information* (66-001, \$5/\$50), available mid-August. Contact: Paul L. Paradis (613-990-8933), International Travel Section, International and Financial Economics Division.

International Travel Between Canada and Other Countries

June 1986

Residence of travellers	Total trips				Long-term trips ¹			
	June		January-June		June		January-June	
	Number 1986	% Change From 1985	Number 1986	% Change From 1985	Number 1986	% Change From 1985	Number 1986	% Change From 1985
Non-residents								
All countries	4,636,765	10.3	16,042,184	11.0	2,125,016	15.3	5,766,755	16.0
United States	4,340,372	9.5	15,220,643	10.8	1,852,603	14.2	5,015,409	15.8
Other countries	296,393	22.8	821,541	15.5	272,413	23.7	751,346	16.8
Residents of Canada								
All countries	3,580,830	2.4	19,096,198	3.1	1,012,954	0.3	6,115,362	0.9
United States	3,435,528	3.2	17,852,268	3.2	867,652	3.0	4,871,432	0.7
Other countries	145,302	-13.3	1,243,930	1.4	145,302	-13.3	1,243,930	1.4

¹ Figures for the "United States" include auto and bus one or more nights, and total plane, train and boat flows. Figures for "Other Countries" exclude entries by land same day via the U.S.A.

Crude Oil and Natural Gas

April 1986

Preliminary figures indicate that production of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons in Canada in April amounted to 7 044 thousand cubic metres, a 3.1% decrease from April 1985. On a cumulative basis, production stood at 28 861 thousand cubic metres, down 3.0% from the January-April 1985 period.

Crude oil exports for the first four months in 1986 reached 10 387 thousand cubic metres, up 7.6% from the same period last year, while imports – at 5 790 thousand cubic metres – were up by 55.3%. (It should be noted that exports are primarily through pipe-line systems, while imports are primarily by boat, a single arrival of which can materially influence the import data.)

Marketable production of natural gas fell 10.7% between April 1986 and April 1985, while year-to-date production is off 6.8%. Sales in Canada, for both the current month and the year-to-date period, show little difference from last year's levels; export deliveries, however, are down 41.6% for the month and 23.5% for the January-April period.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 127 and 128.

Order the April 1986 issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, \$8/\$80), to be released the third week of August. Contact: G. O'Connor (613-991-3562), Industry Division.

Crude Oil and Natural Gas Supply and Disposition

April 1986

	April 1986	% Change from April 1985	January-April 1986	% Change from January- April 1985
Crude Oil and Equivalent				
	(thousands of cubic metres)			
Production	7 044.2	-3.1	28 861.3	-3.0
Exports	3 121.0	7.0	10 387.1	7.6
Imports	880.2	-12.2	5 790.4	55.3
Refinery receipts	5 153.4	-8.1	24 412.5	1.6
Natural Gas				
	(millions of cubic metres)			
Marketable production	5 473.0	-10.7	26 959.9	-6.8
Exports	1 203.7	-41.6	7 689.5	-23.5
Canadian sales	4 229.7	-	21 666.5	-0.6

- Nil or zero.

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Deliveries of Major Grains

June 1986

Producer deliveries of major grains by Prairie farmers during June 1986 were as follows (in thousand tonnes):

● Wheat (excluding durum),	3 024.6;
● Durum wheat,	182.4;
● Total wheat,	3 207.0;
● Oats,	47.7;
● Barley,	1 157.4;
● Rye,	26.0;
● Flaxseed,	50.5;
● Canola (rapeseed),	233.4.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 976-981.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release in mid-August. Contact: Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or Anthony Dupuis (613-991-3860), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Ottawa.

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Major Release

Security Transactions with Non-residents

May 1986

Canadian Securities

Non-residents acquired, on a net basis, \$431 million of outstanding Canadian securities in May, up substantially from the relatively low level in April. Non-residents have been increasing their holdings of Canadian securities steadily since early 1984. These foreign investments have, however, exhibited greater variation in recent months.

- Net foreign investment in Canadian bonds increased fourfold to \$347 million, accounting for most of the increase in investment in Canadian securities in May.

Foreign Securities

Canadian residents were large net purchasers of outstanding foreign securities in May (\$399 million), in contrast to a net disinvestment

early in the year. This pattern of investment/disinvestment has prevailed since early 1985, whereas in the two previous years residents had been largely net purchasers of foreign securities.

- Net purchases of foreign bonds amounted to \$222 million, the highest level in the last seven months.
- Net purchases of foreign stocks at \$177 million were high by historical standards.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Security Transactions with Non-residents* (67-002, \$15/\$150), available in August. Contact: J. Motala (613-990-9052), Balance of Payments, International and Financial Economics Division.

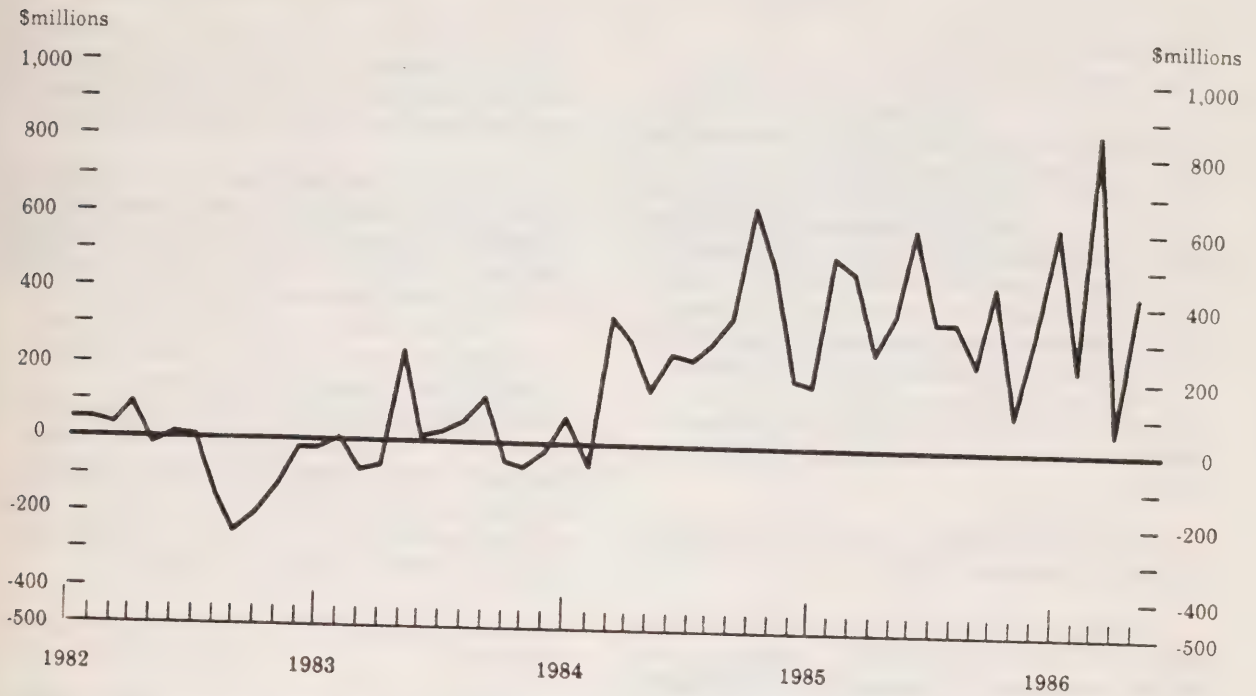
Transactions in Outstanding Securities with Non-residents

May 1986

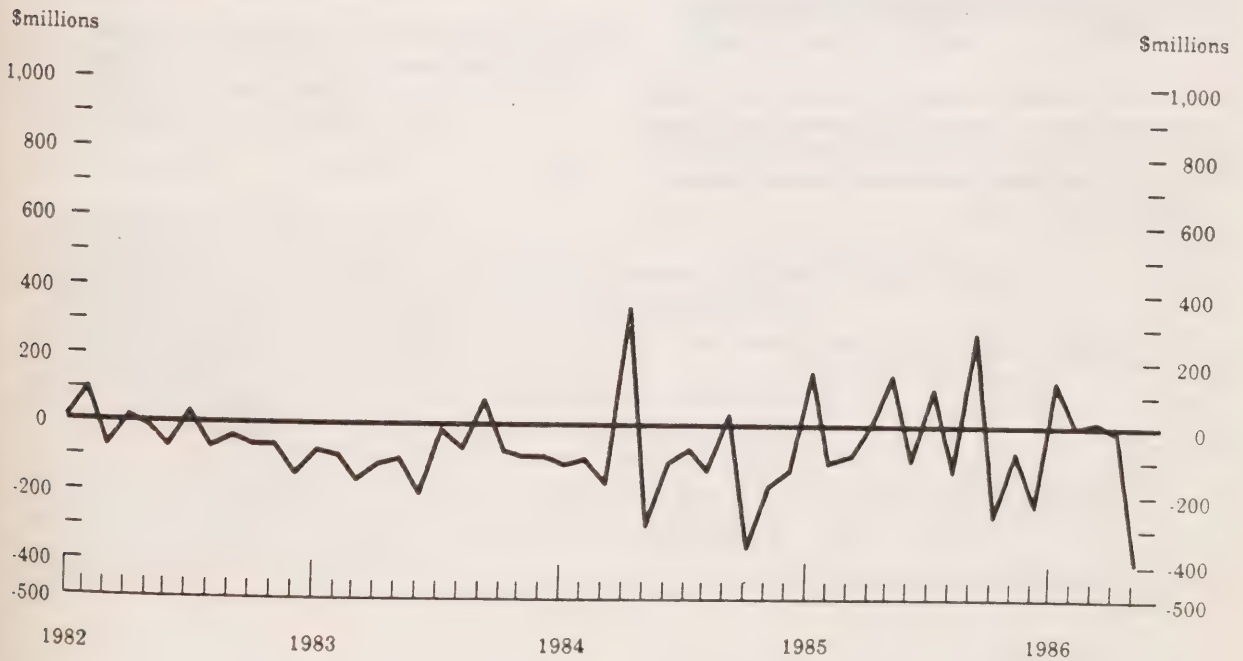
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Type of issue	Sales to Non-residents	Purchases from Non-residents	Net Sales (+)
Canadian securities:			
Bonds	3,128	2,780	347
Common and preferred stocks	920	836	84
Total - May 1986	4,048	3,616	431
Total - April 1986	5,124	5,071	53
Foreign securities:			
Bonds	2,221	2,442	-222
Common and preferred stocks	1,419	1,596	-177
Total - May 1986	3,639	4,038	-399
Total - April 1986	5,285	5,299	-13

Trade In Outstanding Canadian Securities With Non-residents
(net sales + / net purchases -)



Trade In Outstanding Foreign Securities With Non-residents
(net sales + / net purchases -)



Data Availability Announcements

The Dairy Review

June 1986

Creamery butter production in Canada totalled 11 281 tonnes in June 1986, an increase of 20.0% from a year earlier. The June 1986 production of cheddar cheese amounted to 9 864 tonnes, an increase of 2.4% from June 1985.

An estimated 662 478 kilolitres of milk were sold off Canadian farms for all purposes in May 1986, a decrease of approximately 0.4% from May 1985. This brought the total estimate of milk sold off farms during the first five months of 1986 to 2 986 163 kilolitres, a decrease of 0.4% from the January-May period 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5632-5638, 5650-5663, 5666 and 5667.

Order the June 1986 issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release on August 21. Contact: Dave Burroughs (613-991-2550), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers

June 1986

Canadian manufacturers shipped 192 236 thousand square metres of corrugated boxes and wrappers in June 1986, an increase of 2.7% from the 187 159 thousand square metres shipped a year earlier.

For January to June 1986, year-to-date shipments totalled 1 068 403 thousand square metres, up 5.1% from 1 016 117 thousand square metres for the same period in 1985.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers* (36-004, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 18. Contact: Katherine Blais (613-991-3531), Industry Division.

Notifiable Disease Summary

Four-week Period Ending July 5, 1986

Statistics and new cases of notifiable diseases for the four-week period ending July 5, 1986 are now available by sex and five-year age group for Canada and the provinces.

Available on CANSIM: cross-classified table 00050123.

Contact: Leslie Gaudette (613-991-1769), Health Division.

Publications Released

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products,
July 1986 Catalogue number 32-012
(Canada: \$10/\$100; Other Countries: \$11/\$110)

Primary Iron and Steel, May 1986
Catalogue number 41-001
(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins,
May 1986 Catalogue number 46-002
(Canada: \$5/\$50; Other Countries: \$6/\$60)

Gross Domestic Product by Industry,
April 1986 Catalogue number 61-005
(Canada: \$10/\$100; Other Countries: \$11/\$110)

Industry Price Indexes, May 1986
Catalogue number 62-011
(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

Building Permits, April 1986
Catalogue number 64-001
(Canada: \$20/\$200; Other Countries: \$21/\$210)

Local Government Employment, January-March 1986
Catalogue number 72-009
Canada: \$10/\$40; Other Countries: \$11/\$44)

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New Housing Price Index, June 1986

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- New housing prices continued to move upward – 0.6% for June and 7.9% on a year-over-year basis

Construction Union Wage Rate Index, June 1986

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- The index rose 0.3% from a year earlier

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Railway Carloadings, Seven Days Ending July 21, 1986

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Major Release

New Housing Price Index

June 1986

The New Housing Price Index (1981=100) for Canada stood at 103.2 in June, up 0.6% from May, continuing an upward movement which has been evident for the last 13 months. This index of Canadian housing contractors' selling prices stands 7.9% higher than the year-earlier level. Between May and June 1986 the estimated house only index increased 0.7%, while the estimated land only index increased 0.3%.

The largest increase in new housing prices in June was in Toronto (1.4%). Kitchener-Waterloo registered the largest increase from

June 1985 (17.6%). Large monthly and year-over-year increases have generally prevailed in southwestern Ontario cities in 1986, due to the high demand for new houses.

New housing prices on the West Coast registered decreases in June, as some builders lowered selling prices to stimulate sales.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 198.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in September. Contact: the Prices Division (613-990-9601).

New Housing Price Indexes

June 1986
(1981=100)

	Weights ¹ 1986	June 1986	May 1986	June 1985	% change	
					June 1986/ May 1986	June 1986/ June 1985
Canada Total²	100.0	103.2	102.6	95.6	0.6	7.9
Canada						
(House only)		107.3	106.6	98.0	0.7	9.5
Canada						
(Land only)		96.6	96.3	92.0	0.3	5.0
St. John's	0.94	107.3	107.2	105.0	0.1	2.2
Halifax	2.42	124.0	123.9	121.8	0.1	1.8
Saint John-Moncton	0.91	127.1	127.1	123.6	-	2.8
Quebec City	2.38	132.1	131.6	124.7	0.4	5.9
Montreal	9.97	130.3	129.8	123.1	0.4	5.8
Ottawa-Hull	6.26	129.7	129.3	126.0	0.3	2.9
Toronto	30.44	114.0	112.4	99.7	1.4	14.3
Hamilton	2.75	133.1	133.1	122.3	-	8.8
St. Catharines-						
Niagara	1.06	138.5	138.5	126.9	-	9.1
Kitchener-Waterloo	1.65	141.9	140.9	120.7	0.7	17.6
London	1.26	124.0	123.3	111.2	0.6	11.5
Windsor	0.49	114.7	114.8	104.0	-0.1	10.3
Winnipeg	2.92	126.7	125.7	118.7	0.8	6.7
Regina	1.10	112.4	112.4	108.9	-	3.2
Saskatoon	1.50	106.2	106.1	100.0	0.1	6.2
Calgary	5.29	90.9	90.5	83.0	0.4	9.5
Edmonton	5.79	85.7	85.3	78.8	0.5	8.8
Vancouver	19.53	73.6	73.7	72.6	-0.1	1.4
Victoria	2.54	71.3	71.9	73.9	-0.8	-3.5

¹ Surveys in Sudbury and Thunder Bay account for the remaining weight and are secured due to insufficient sample size. The survey has been discontinued in Prince George.

² It should be noted that the linking method and annually updated cityweights are such that aggregate indexes cannot be considered as the direct average of their respective associated indexes. In exceptional cases, this may cause the level of an aggregate index and its corresponding percentage change figures to fall slightly outside the range of those exhibited by the associated indexes.

- nil or zero.

Construction Union Wage Rate Index

June 1986

The estimate of the June Union Wage Rate Index for construction trades (1981=100) remained unchanged from May's level of 132.5. This marks a continuation of a pattern established early in 1984 with the result that in 23 of the 30 previous months there were no changes in rates. At 0.3%, the year-over-year change was among the lowest observed since 1962 - when the index was first established.

New collective agreements have been signed in British Columbia with no change in rate for a two-year period, which expires April 30, 1988. New two-year contracts have

also been signed in Ontario, which will be retroactive to May 1986. As details by city are not yet available, these increases are not reflected in the index change, but will be included before the indexes are finalized. In Quebec, existing contracts have been extended to August 1, 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 400-405, 956 and 958.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in August. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Union Wage Rates for Construction¹

June 1986

	Trades					
	Labourer		Sheet Metal Worker		Painter	
	B	B and S	B	B and S	B	B and S
	(in dollars)					
St. John's	9.58	11.18	16.50	20.40	13.51	16.03
Halifax	15.76	17.72	21.23	23.64	16.09	17.73
Saint John	10.80	12.46	16.81	18.79	13.75	15.37
Montreal	13.28	15.40	17.80	20.40	15.70	18.08
Ottawa	14.63	17.44	18.28	22.73	14.82	18.35
Toronto	16.00	19.50	18.78	23.04	16.71	20.43
Thunder Bay	15.73	18.40	18.81	22.14	15.87	19.51
Winnipeg	13.45	15.15	18.90	21.67	15.55	17.11
Vancouver	17.59	22.19	19.63	24.28	19.45	23.32

¹ Rates are available for other trades and other cities.

B = Basic rate.

B and S = Basic rate and selected pay supplements: vacation pay, statutory holiday pay, employer's contribution to health and welfare and pension plans.

Data Availability Announcement

Railway Carloadings

Seven Days Ending July 21, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the seven days ending July 21, 1986 totalled 4.1 million tonnes, a decrease of 5.8% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 27 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release the week of August 11. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

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- Farm prices increased 1.1% from May 8

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Major Releases

Labour Force Survey

July 1986

Overview

Estimates from Statistics Canada's Labour Force Survey for July 1986 showed that the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose by 0.4 to 9.9, following four months of little change. Employment levels declined substantially by an estimated 96,000. The largest decrease was noted in Quebec, where employment dropped by an estimated 62,000.

Employment

The seasonally adjusted estimate of employment for the week ended July 19, 1986 was 11,567,000. This represents a decline of 96,000 following an increase of an estimated 49,000 the previous month. Temporary employment associated with the 1986 Census contributed to both the increase in June and the decline in July. Employment was estimated at 6,605,000 among males and at 4,962,000 among females, following declines of 48,000 in the levels for each group. July is a month in which there are usually large employment increases for persons aged 15 to 24. This July, the smaller than usual gains recorded resulted in a decline of 62,000 in the seasonally adjusted estimate of employment for this age group, to 2,413,000. There was also a decrease of 34,000 in the level of employment among those aged 25 and over, to 9,154,000.

The seasonally adjusted estimate of full-time employment fell by 54,000 to 9,805,000 – with most of this decrease concentrated among males (-45,000). Part-time employment declined by 49,000 to 1,751,000 – primarily as the result of a 44,000 decrease for females.

Employment declined by 62,000 in Quebec, by 27,000 in Ontario, and by 5,000 in Newfoundland. There was little change in employment levels for the remaining provinces.

Employment fell in all of the major industry groups with the exception of finance, insurance and real estate, which rose by 16,000. The most significant declines were

noted in agriculture (-8,000), other primary industries (-19,000), manufacturing (-24,000), trade (-26,000) and public administration (-22,000).

Unemployment

In July 1986, the seasonally adjusted estimate of unemployment rose by 36,000 to 1,267,000. Unemployment increased by an estimated 14,000 to 710,000 for men and by 22,000 to 557,000 for women. An increase of 9,000 among persons 15 to 24 years of age brought the number of young persons unemployed to 440,000. For persons aged 25 years and over, the unemployment level increased by 27,000 to 827,000.

The seasonally adjusted estimate of unemployment rose by 7,000 in Newfoundland and by 32,000 in Quebec. The level of unemployment was little changed in the other provinces.

Unemployment Rate

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased by 0.4 to 9.9 in July 1986. It rose by 0.6 to 15.4 among persons aged 15 to 24 and by 0.3 to 8.3 among those aged 25 and over. The unemployment rate increased most significantly for females, reaching 10.1 (+0.5) while it went up by 0.2 to 9.7 for males.

The unemployment rate increased by 2.9 to 22.0 in Newfoundland, by 0.7 to 13.9 in Prince Edward Island, by 0.1 to 13.6 in Nova Scotia, by 1.1 to 11.5 in Quebec, by 0.4 to 7.7 in Manitoba, and by 0.2 to 12.2 in British Columbia. It declined by 0.4 to 14.9 in New Brunswick, by 0.2 to 10.3 in Alberta while it was stable at 7.2 in Ontario and at 7.9 in Saskatchewan.

Participation Rate

The seasonally adjusted participation rate declined by 0.3 to 65.5 in July 1986. It dropped by 1.1 among persons aged 15 to 24, returning to its May level of 68.7. The participation rate edged down to 64.6 among persons aged 25 and over.

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Employment/Population Ratio

The seasonally adjusted employment/population ratio fell 0.5 in July 1986 to an estimated 59.0. It declined by 0.6 among males (68.9) and by 0.5 among females (49.5). The ratio fell by 1.4, to 58.1 among persons aged 15 to 24 and declined by 0.4 to 59.2 among those aged 25 and over.

Unadjusted Data

The unadjusted estimate of employment for July 1986 was 12,060,000 – an increase of 228,000 (+1.9%) over the level of July 1985. The unemployment level was estimated at 1,231,000, a decline of 41,000 (-3.2%) from a year earlier. The unemployment rate was 9.3, down 0.4 from the rate recorded in July 1985. The participation rate rose by 0.2 to 67.8 over last year. The employment/population ratio increased by 0.5 over the same period and is now estimated at 61.5.

Student Data

From May to September inclusive, data on the participation of students in the labour market are being collected through the labour force survey. Persons aged 15 to 24 who were attending school full-time in March 1986 are asked additional questions. The information is compiled for two categories of students: (1) those who plan to return to school in September 1986; and (2) those who do not plan to return to school at that time, or are not certain what they will do.

In July 1986, the unadjusted unemployment rate was estimated at 13.3 for returning students aged 15 to 24, a decrease of 1.1 from July 1985. The drop was larger among persons aged 20 to 24, for whom the rate decreased by 2.0 to 7.7. It was 15.3 (-0.7) among returning students aged 15 to 19. The level of employment among returning students aged 15 to 24 was 1,105,000, an increase of 47,000 over the level recorded last year. The participation rate and the employment/population ratio gained 2.3 and 2.7 points respectively. Thus, 71.5% of returning students were in the labour force while 62.0% of them were employed this month.

For the other students, the unadjusted unemployment rate was 18.5, down 3.6 from the rate recorded in July 1985. Employment rose to 233,000 – 25,000 above the level recorded in July 1985. The participation rate increased by 2.3 points to 85.9 and the employment/population ratio reached 70.0, an appreciable gain of 4.9 points over last year's estimate.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2074, 2075, 2078-2099, 2101-2107 and table 00799999.

Order the July 1986 issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, \$20/\$200), available the third week of August. Contact: Ken Bennett (613-991-4720), Household Surveys Division.

For summary information, available on the day of release, order *Labour Force Information* (71-001P, \$5/\$50).

Labour Force Characteristics, Canada

	July 1986	June 1986	July 1985
Seasonally Adjusted Data			
Labour Force ('000)	12,834	12,894	12,633
Employment ('000)	11,567	11,663	11,324
Unemployment ('000)	1,267	1,231	1,309
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.9	9.5	10.4
Participation Rate (%)	65.5	65.8	65.2
Employment/Population Ratio (%)	59.0	59.5	58.4
Unadjusted Data			
Labour Force ('000)	13,291	13,201	13,103
Employment ('000)	12,060	11,997	11,832
Unemployment ('000)	1,231	1,205	1,272
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.3	9.1	9.7
Participation Rate (%)	67.8	67.4	67.6
Employment/Population Ratio (%)	61.5	61.2	61.0

Preliminary Statement of Canadian International Trade

Seasonally Adjusted, Balance of Payments Basis
June 1986

Month-to-month Overview

Preliminary estimates for the month of June value total exports at \$9.3 billion, a decline of 3.9% or \$374 million, following a \$610 million drop in May. Imports, which had also decreased in May (\$438 million), swung around to register an increase of \$169 million (1.9%) to \$9.0 billion.

The net effect on the merchandise trade balance was to reduce Canada's trade surplus to \$359 million from \$902 million in May. This is the third consecutive decline. Canada's trade surplus of \$4.9 billion for the first six months of 1986 was just under half the level reached in the same period last year.

Quarter-to-quarter Overview

Total exports dropped substantially in the second quarter. In relation to the first quarter of 1986, they fell \$1.0 billion or 3.4% to \$29.4 billion – their lowest level since the fourth quarter of 1984. This drop follows a first quarter decline of \$750 million. Whereas the first quarter decrease was concentrated in energy products, second quarter declines were more widespread. Total imports in the second quarter also fell by 3.1% or \$860 million to \$27.0 billion. This was their first quarterly decline, following five consecutive advances.

The joint effect of these movements was to reduce the quarterly trade surplus to \$2.3 billion from \$2.5 billion.

Short-term Trend (excludes the latest month)

Total Exports

Total exports are in their sixth month of steady decline, mainly as a result of declines in industrial goods and materials, machinery and equipment and automotive products. In contrast, energy products, following five months of declines, showed signs of recovery.

Imports

Reversing a 15-month trend of growth that ended in January 1986, imports have been showing a continuous decline over the past four months. But the drop in energy products, which began in February, and a recent decline in other consumer goods were almost entirely offset by renewed growth in industrial goods and materials, and machinery and equipment.

Commodity Highlights

Total Exports

All major commodity groupings declined in June with the exception of forest products which increased 3.8%. Contrary to their short-term trend, energy products – in particular coal and crude petroleum – recorded the largest drop (\$160 million), accounting for over 40% of the \$374 million decline in exports. Automotive products dropped \$102 million or 3.7%, following May's decrease of \$90 million. Industrial goods and materials fell \$99 million or 5.5%, primarily due to reduced exports of precious metals (57%) and, to a lesser extent, copper (37%). Machinery and equipment registered a \$66 million decrease or 4.5% with the largest drops occurring in industrial machinery (13.1%) and aircraft (16.2%).

Imports

While imports increased overall by 1.9% in June, there were widespread large and offsetting movements in individual commodity groupings. Passenger autos and chassis imports increased by \$274 million (31%) to \$1.2 billion in June, back to the February level. Imports of precious metals, traditionally volatile, increased \$75 million (48%), and petroleum and coal products rose \$70 million (71%). Offsetting these import gains were drops of \$82 million (34%) in crude petroleum, \$55 million (4%) in motor vehicle parts and \$46 million (12%) in office machines.

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Trading Partner Highlights

Total Exports

Other than a small increase in exports to "Other EEC" countries, trade with all other trading partners decreased in June. This is the second month of declines in exports to these countries, except for Japan, where exports increased 5.9% in May followed by a 16.2% decrease in June.

Imports

From May to June, imports from several countries experienced reversals. While imports from the United States, the United Kingdom and Japan decreased in May, estimates for June showed increased trade. Conversely, "Other Countries" posted a 12% growth in May, falling 26% in June. Imports from "Other EEC" and "Other OECD" countries continued to decline.

Trade Balance

Canada's trade surplus with the United States of \$1.1 billion in June (down from the May surplus of \$1.6 billion) was offset by trade deficits with all the other countries. A record trade deficit with Japan of \$254 million was registered in June.

(see tables on pages 6 and 7)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 30, 3652-3678, 3686-3714, 3718 and 3719.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Summary of Canadian International Trade* (65-001, \$15/\$150), available the fourth week of August. Contact: G. Blaney (613-990-9647), Trade Information Unit, or Rosemarie Schipizky (613-990-9784), Trade Measures and Analysis Section, International Trade Division.

For summary information, available on the day of release, order the *Preliminary Statement of Canadian International Trade* (65-001P, \$5/\$50).

Merchandise Trade of Canada

June 1986

Balance of Payments Basis

	Total exports ¹ raw	Imports raw	Total exports ¹ S.A. ³	Imports S.A. ³	Balance S.A. ³	Period-to-period change ²		
						Total exports ¹ S.A. ³	Imports S.A. ³	Balance S.A. ³
			\$ millions			%	%	\$ millions
1980	76,680	67,903	76,680	67,903	8,778	16.9	11.0	4,354
1981	84,157	77,140	84,157	77,140	7,017	10.1	13.6	-1,761
1982	84,560	66,739	84,560	66,739	17,822	0.2	-13.5	10,804
1983	90,702	73,054	90,702	73,054	17,648	7.3	9.5	-174
1984	112,218	91,492	112,218	91,492	20,726	23.7	25.2	3,078
1985	120,258	102,783	120,258	102,783	17,475	7.2	12.3	-3,251
1984								
First quarter	25,764	21,813	26,344	21,900	4,444	5.9	5.0	408
Second quarter	29,442	24,162	27,714	22,527	5,187	5.2	2.9	743
Third quarter	27,657	22,723	29,139	23,791	5,348	5.1	5.6	161
Fourth quarter	29,356	22,794	29,021	23,274	5,747	-0.4	-2.2	399
1985								
First quarter	28,926	23,668	29,662	24,175	5,487	2.2	3.9	-260
Second quarter	31,652	27,169	29,759	25,280	4,479	0.3	4.6	-1,008
Third quarter	28,133	25,392	29,678	26,184	3,494	-0.3	3.6	-985
Fourth quarter	31,547	26,554	31,158	27,143	4,014	5.0	3.7	520
1986								
First quarter	29,313	27,220	30,408	27,888	2,520	-2.4	2.7	-1,495
Second Quarter	31,288	29,190	29,363	27,028	2,335	-3.4	-3.1	-185
1985								
January	9,145	7,695	9,654	8,218	1,436	0.7	3.5	-209
February	9,177	7,569	9,685	7,921	1,764	0.3	-3.6	329
March	10,604	8,403	10,323	8,036	2,287	6.6	1.5	523
April	10,453	9,029	10,050	8,050	2,000	-2.6	0.2	-287
May	10,863	9,155	10,040	8,487	1,553	-0.1	5.4	-447
June	10,335	8,986	9,669	8,742	927	-3.7	3.0	-626
July	8,561	8,622	9,086	8,564	522	-6.0	-2.0	-405
August	8,983	8,203	10,083	8,770	1,313	11.0	2.4	791
September	10,589	8,567	10,510	8,850	1,660	4.2	0.9	347
October	11,206	9,245	10,710	8,841	1,869	1.9	-0.1	209
November	10,373	9,118	10,146	9,221	925	-5.3	4.3	-944
December	9,969	8,191	10,302	9,081	1,221	1.5	-1.5	296
1986								
January	10,107	9,094	10,893	9,846	1,047	5.7	8.4	-174
February	9,437	9,476	10,058	9,942	116	-7.7	1.0	-930
March	9,769	8,649	9,457	8,101	1,356	-6.0	-18.5	1,239
April	10,756	10,262	10,319	9,245	1,074	9.1	14.1	-283
May	10,360	9,365	9,709	8,807	902	-5.9	-4.7	-171
June	10,172	9,563	9,335	8,976	359	-3.9	1.9	-543
Year-to-date								
1985	60,578	50,837	59,422	49,455	9,966	9.9	11.3	335
1986	60,601	56,409	59,770	54,916	4,854	0.6	11.0	-5,112

¹ Total Exports = Domestic Exports + Re-exports.

² Year-to-year, quarter-to-quarter, month-to-month.

³ Seasonally Adjusted.

Note: Due to rounding monthly data may not add up to quarterly data and quarterly data may not add up to annual data.

Merchandise Trade by Principal Trading Areas

June 1986

Seasonally Adjusted, Balance of Payments Basis

	May	June	Period-to-period change				Year-to-date	Change over previous year	
			May	June	May	June			
	\$ millions		%	%	\$ millions		\$ millions	%	\$ millions
Total exports to:									
United States	7,676.3	7,477.5	-3.9	-2.6	-309.8	-198.8	46,626.1	0.6	267.3
Japan	522.9	438.1	5.9	-16.2	29.1	-84.8	2,848.8	-1.9	-54.9
United Kingdom	206.0	192.5	-15.7	-6.5	-38.5	-13.5	1,279.1	4.6	56.0
Other EEC Countries	410.3	415.3	-7.8	1.2	-34.8	5.0	2,588.3	16.1	358.8
Other OECD Countries	144.8	137.9	-8.3	-4.8	-13.1	-6.9	1,037.1	-10.5	-122.1
Other Countries	748.7	673.4	-24.5	-10.1	-242.8	-75.2	5,390.8	-2.8	-156.3
Total	9,709.0	9,334.7	-5.9	-3.9	-609.9	-374.3	59,770.3	0.6	348.8
Imports from:									
United States	6,039.3	6,372.4	-4.7	5.5	-300.9	333.1	38,464.6	7.5	2,687.0
Japan	598.0	692.4	-12.1	15.8	-82.3	94.4	3,656.5	31.1	866.5
United Kingdom	232.2	280.0	-18.3	20.6	-52.0	47.9	1,841.7	44.8	569.4
Other EEC Countries	682.5	646.7	-12.7	-5.2	-99.2	-35.8	4,269.9	30.5	997.1
Other OECD Countries	213.2	212.6	-5.5	-0.2	-12.5	-0.5	1,295.6	2.0	25.0
Other Countries	1,041.6	771.4	11.6	-25.9	108.2	-270.3	5,387.8	6.2	315.9
Total	8,806.8	8,975.6	-4.7	1.9	-438.6	168.7	54,916.0	11.0	5,460.9
Balance with:									
United States	1,637.0	1,105.1			-8.9	-531.9	8,161.5		-2,419.6
Japan	-75.2	-254.3			111.4	-179.2	-807.7		-921.4
United Kingdom	-26.2	-87.5			13.5	-61.3	-562.5		-513.4
Other EEC Countries	-272.2	-231.4			64.4	40.8	-1,681.5		-638.3
Other OECD Countries	-68.3	-74.7			-0.6	-6.4	-258.5		-147.1
Other Countries	-293.0	-98.0			-351.0	195.0	3.1		-472.2
Total	902.2	359.1			-171.2	-543.0	4,854.3		-5,112.1

Note: Prior to 1986 Portugal and Spain were not included in the EEC.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

June 1986

The estimate of the index of farm prices of agricultural products (1971=100) for Canada stood at 281.5 in June, up 1.1% from its revised May level of 278.3. June is the second consecutive month in which the index has increased. Both the total crops and the livestock and livestock products sub-indexes increased. However, the index of farm prices still stands 6.4% lower than the year-earlier level of 300.6.

A 14.1% increase in hog prices was the main contributor to the 1.5% rise in the livestock and livestock products sub-index in June. The rise in hog prices was associated with a decline in hog slaughtering in the United States. Poultry and egg prices increased marginally while those for cattle, milk and lambs decreased.

The total crops sub-index was up 0.4% in June. Potato prices rose seasonally by 3.9%. Prices for wheat delivered to the Canadian Wheat Board were up, as a higher proportion of higher quality grades was delivered. Western off-board feed grain prices were also higher in June, contributing to a 0.8% increase in the grains sub-index. Corn and rye prices were lower in June than in May. Small decreases in soybean, flaxseed and canola-rapeseed prices caused the oilseeds sub-index to fall by 1.5%.

Provincially, the June index in all provinces except British Columbia was higher than in May. In British Columbia lower cattle and milk prices caused the index to fall. Following are the changes in the provincial indexes in June:

● Prince Edward Island	6.2%;
● Nova Scotia	0.8%;
● New Brunswick	6.9%;
● Quebec	2.1%;
● Ontario	0.4%;
● Manitoba	0.8%;
● Saskatchewan	1.1%;
● Alberta	1.5%;
● British Columbia	-0.2%;
● Canada	1.1%.

The index is designed to measure (as closely as can be determined) changes in prices received by producers at the first local delivery point. Prices used in the index for Western wheat, oats and barley sold to the Canadian Wheat Board prior to August 1985 are final prices. Beginning in August 1985, initial prices are used and therefore exclude any forthcoming adjustment or final payments. Sub-indexes for livestock, crops and their components are also available on a provincial basis.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 176 and table 00190202.

Order the June issue of *Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products* (62-003, \$6/\$60), scheduled for release August 21. Contact: Paul Murray (613-990-8706), Farm Income and Prices Section, Agriculture/ Natural Resources Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Housing Starts

June 1986

Housing starts in June (seasonally adjusted at annual rates) decreased 7.5% to 186,000 units from a revised level of 201,000 units in May. Both the multiple and, to a lesser extent, single dwelling sectors were responsible for the second consecutive monthly decline in housing starts.

In urban centres, housing starts fell in the Atlantic provinces (-31%) and in Quebec (-30%), while they levelled off in the Prairies. Increases were recorded in Ontario (+8%) and in British Columbia (+27%).

Available on CANSIM: matrices 23, 24, 25, 29, 988, 4091 and 4092.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Housing Starts and Completions* (64-002, \$15/\$150), scheduled for release the fourth week of August. Contact: P. Pichette (613-990-9689), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division.

Traveller Accommodation

1984

Total receipts reported by 14,038 traveller accommodation businesses in Canada for 1984 amounted to \$5,746.1 million. Included in the total were hotels which numbered 4,142 with reported receipts of \$4,721.8 million and motels (3,634) with receipts of \$599.2 million. The remaining \$425.1 million in receipts was accounted for by 6,262 other types of traveller accommodation firms (tourist courts and cabins, outfitters and tent and trailer campgrounds).

Contact: E. Yablonski (613-990-9662), Services Division.

Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin

May 1986

Highlights from the May issue of the *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* are as follows:

- Advance operational data for May 1986 show the operating revenues of the major Canadian air carriers exceeded operating expenses for the first time in 1986. (Available on CANSIM: matrix 385.)
- Major Canadian air carriers reported losses of \$20.1 million in 1985 after profits of \$52.5 million in 1984.
- Total movement at the Transport Canada tower-controlled airports in January 1986 increased by 10.3% from January 1985.
- Passenger traffic on local carrier non-scheduled unit toll services increased by 30.1% in the third quarter of 1985 from a year earlier.

Order the Vol. 18, No. 7 issue of the *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), available the week of August 11. Contact: the Aviation Statistics Centre (819-997-1986), Transportation Division.

Steel Ingots

Week Ending August 2, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending August 2, 1986 totalled 233 065 tonnes, an increase of 6.2% from the preceding week's total of 219 369 tonnes and up 3.8% from the year-earlier level of 224 622 tonnes.

The cumulative total in 1986 was 8 371 293 tonnes, a decrease of 1.6% compared to the total of 8 508 798 tonnes for the same period in 1985.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Export and Import Price Indexes

June 1986

Current and fixed weighted export and import price indexes on a balance of payments (1981=100) basis are now available. Price indexes are listed from January 1971 to June 1986 for the seven commodity sections and 62/61 major commodity groups.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3633-3642, 3651 and 3685.

Customs based current and fixed weighted U.S. price indexes are also available. Price indexes are listed from January 1981 to June 1986 on a 1981=100 basis. Included with the

U.S. commodity indexes are the 10 "All Countries" and "U.S. only" SITC section indexes.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3639-3642.

Price indexes on a 1971=100 base, balance of payments basis, have been terminated as of December 1985.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Summary of Canadian International Trade* (65-001 \$15/\$150), available the fourth week of August. Contact: D. Pilon or Peter Wang (613-990-9784), Price Index Unit, International Trade Division.

Publications Released

Railway Carloadings, 7-day
Period Ending July 14, 1986

Catalogue number 52-005

(Canada: \$75; Other Countries: \$100)

**Preliminary Statement of Canadian
International Trade, June 1986**

Catalogue number 65-001P

(Canada: \$5/\$50; Other Countries: \$6/\$60)

Labour Force Information, July 1986

Catalogue number 71-001P

(Canada: \$5/\$50; Other Countries: \$6/\$60)

**Unemployment Insurance Statistics:
Annual Supplement, 1986**

Catalogue number 73-202S

(Canada: \$36; Other Countries: \$37)

Science Statistics, Vol. 10, No. 6:

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Major Release Dates

Week of August 11-15

(Release dates are subject to change)

Anticipated date of release	Title	Reference period
August		
11-12	Building Permits	May 1986
11-12	Department Store Sales by Province and Metropolitan Area	June 1986
11-12	New Motor Vehicle Sales	June 1986
11-13	Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries	July 1986
11-13	Estimates of Labour Income	April 1986
11-13	Composite Leading Indicator	May 1986
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Major Releases

New Motor Vehicle Sales, June 1986

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- New motor vehicle sales decreased 10.4% from a year earlier

Machinery and Equipment Price Index, Second Quarter 1986

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- Following a 0.5% increase from the first quarter, prices for new machinery and equipment purchased by Canadian industry stood 3.7% higher than a year earlier — the smallest change registered since the first quarter of 1984

Data Availability Announcement

Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics, June 1986

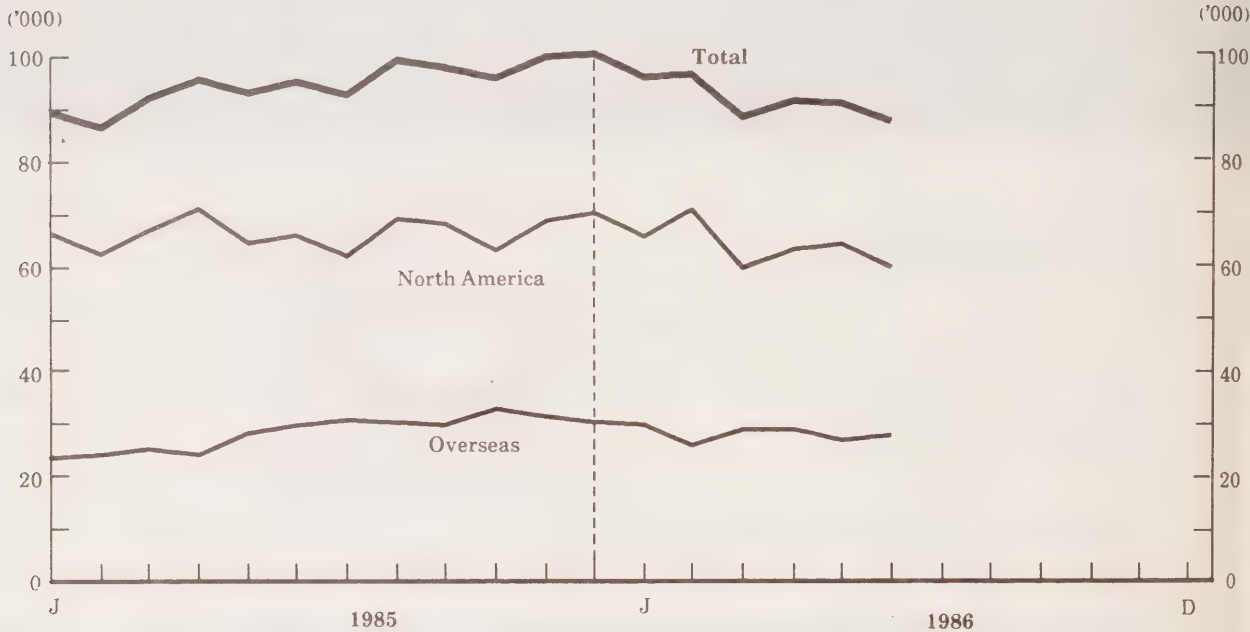
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Major Releases

Monthly Sales of New Passenger Cars by Origin, Canada, Seasonally Adjusted, in Units, 1985-1986



New Motor Vehicle Sales

June 1986

Highlights

Seasonally Adjusted Sales

- Adjusted for seasonal fluctuations and the number of trading days, preliminary estimates indicate sales of all new motor vehicles totalled 119,174 units in June 1986, a decline of 5.6% from the revised May level of 126,269 units. In June, lower sales were posted for both commercial vehicles (-9.9%) and passenger cars (-3.9%).
- The June results, on a seasonally adjusted basis, extended the fluctuating but generally downward trend of sales for the first half of 1986, following an average monthly gain of 1.1% in the last six months of 1985.

- On an origin basis, sales of North American built passenger cars declined by 7.2% in June 1986 to reach a level of 59,474 units, following a 2.4% gain to 64,059 units in May 1986. On the other hand, sales of imported passenger cars, which totalled 27,551 units in June, rose 3.9% from the revised May level of 26,527 units.

Unadjusted Sales

- Sales of all new motor vehicles totalled 143,805 units in June 1986, down 10.4% from the June 1985 level of 160,505 units. Passenger car sales fell by 11.7% to a level of 104,904 units while commercial vehicle sales decreased by 6.8% to 38,901 units. The decline in passenger car sales comprised a decrease of 12.5% for North American built passenger cars and a decline of 9.7% for imported cars.

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- For the first six months of 1986, total new motor vehicle sales increased by 0.4% over the same period last year to reach 803,163 units. Sales of imported passenger cars were up 5.1% to 167,285 units while domestic car sales declined by 5.3% to 417,817 units. Commercial vehicle sales totalled 218,061 units in the first half of 1986, up 9.3% from the 1985 level.
- In terms of market share, North American manufacturers held 70.6% of the Canadian passenger car market in June 1986 (based on unit sales), down from the 71.3% share recorded in June 1985. Japanese manufacturers held a market share of 17.4%, up from the 15.2% share held a year earlier.

Manufacturers from "other countries" held 12.0% of the passenger car market compared to a share of 13.5% registered in June 1985.

- Total unit sales declined in all provinces between June 1985 and June 1986, with decreases ranging from 14.5% in Newfoundland to 5.4% in Manitoba.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 64.

Order the June 1986 issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, \$8/\$80), available the first week of September. Contact: Maurice Massaad (613-990-9682), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

New Motor Vehicle Sales - Canada June 1986

	June 1986	Change 1986/1985	January-June 1986	Change 1986/1985
	Units	%	Units	%
Total new motor vehicles	143,805	-10.4	803,163	0.4
Passenger cars by origin:				
North America	74,095	-12.5	417,817	-5.3
Japan	18,235	0.9	96,291	2.3
Other countries	12,574	-21.7	70,994	9.1
Total	104,904	-11.7	585,102	-2.6
Commercial vehicles by origin:				
North America	34,129	-9.3	192,876	8.7
Overseas	4,772	16.5	25,185	14.1
Total	38,901	-6.8	218,061	9.3
	Value \$000	%	Value \$000	%
Total new motor vehicles	2,045,040	-0.7	11,271,571	10.6
Passenger cars by origin:				
North America	962,890	-4.7	5,329,473	2.3
Japan	253,896	21.4	1,291,634	19.1
Other countries	183,804	-5.9	1,033,496	22.5
Total	1,400,590	-1.0	7,654,603	7.2
Commercial vehicles by origin:				
North America	579,822	-3.0	3,285,509	16.9
Overseas	64,628	40.8	331,459	36.3
Total	644,450	0.1	3,616,968	18.5

Machinery and Equipment Price Index

Second Quarter 1986

Preliminary estimates show the Machinery and Equipment Price Index (MEPI, 1971=100) stood at 307.9 in the second quarter of 1986, up 0.5% from its revised first quarter level. This increase stemmed primarily from an increase of 0.8% in domestic prices, while increases in import prices were reduced by a strengthening of the Canadian dollar against its U.S. counterpart during the quarter. Increases in the federal sales tax on April 1, 1986 affected indexes mainly in the service industries.

From the second quarter of 1985 to the second quarter of 1986, the total index increased 3.7% – the first year-to-year change of less than 4% since the first quarter of 1984. Prices for domestically produced machinery and equipment rose 4.0%, while imported goods

prices increased 3.5% due partially to the Canadian dollar which was generally weaker than the U.S. dollar over the year.

During the second quarter, prices for new machinery and equipment purchased by the service sector industries showed the largest increases, mainly reflecting higher prices for cars, trucks, special purpose furniture, office furniture and carpeting. On the other hand, price decreases for specialized machinery and equipment; pumps, compressors and blowers; cutting and forming tools, and transformers and converters helped moderate the increases in the manufacturing industries.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 4000-4003, 4027 and 4040.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in September. Contact: L. Graham (613-990-9601), Prices Division.

Machinery and Equipment Price Indexes

(1971=100)

	Relative importance ¹	2 nd Q. 1986*	1 st Q. 1986*	% Change	
				2 nd Q. 1986/ 1 st Q. 1986	2 nd Q. 1986/ 2 nd Q. 1985
Machinery and equipment price index:	100.0	307.9	306.5	0.5	3.7
SIC Divisions:					
1. Agriculture	10.3	290.1	286.6	1.2	4.7
2. Forestry	0.7	325.4	324.5	0.2	2.5
3. Fishing	0.6	326.6	326.5	–	1.7
4. Mines, quarries and oil wells	6.5	362.5	363.3	-0.2	2.5
5. Manufacturing	30.4	342.6	341.6	0.3	3.6
6. Construction	4.1	296.9	297.2	-0.1	2.1
7. Transportation, communication, storage and utilities	25.5	295.5	295.6	–	2.7
8. Trade	4.8	284.1	279.6	1.6	5.7
9. Finance, insurance and real estate	1.5	246.5	242.4	1.7	5.3
10. Community, business and personal services	9.4	241.2	237.0	1.8	6.3
11. Public administration	6.2	299.3	296.7	0.9	5.0

* These indexes are preliminary.

¹ Division weights are based on 1971 value of capitalized expenditures on new machinery and equipment by industry (Survey of Private and Public Investment in Canada, 1971.)

– nil or zero.

Data Availability Announcement

Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics

June 1986

Available on CANSIM: matrices 351 and 352.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics* (53-003, \$6.50/\$65), available during the third week of August. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Transportation Division.

A total of 66 Canadian urban transit systems collected 122,048,874 initial passenger fares in June 1986. Operating revenues amounted to \$82,241,200.

During the same period, 20 passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations carried 1,796,536 fare passengers and earned \$18,092,324 in operating revenues.

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Major Releases

Composite Leading Indicator, May 1986

- The indicator posted a 0.8% increase to a level of 174.9

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Estimates of Labour Income, May 1986

- Labour income rose 4.9% from May 1985

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Data Availability Announcements

Department Store Sales by Province and Metropolitan Area, June 1986

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Construction Type Plywood, June 1986

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Production of Eggs, June 1986

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Longevity and Historical Life Tables (abridged) Canada and the Provinces

1921-1981

The life expectancy of Canadians at birth has increased by 18 years for women and 13 years for men over the past 60 years. A principal contributing factor to these increases in lifespan figures is the reduction in infant and childhood mortality.

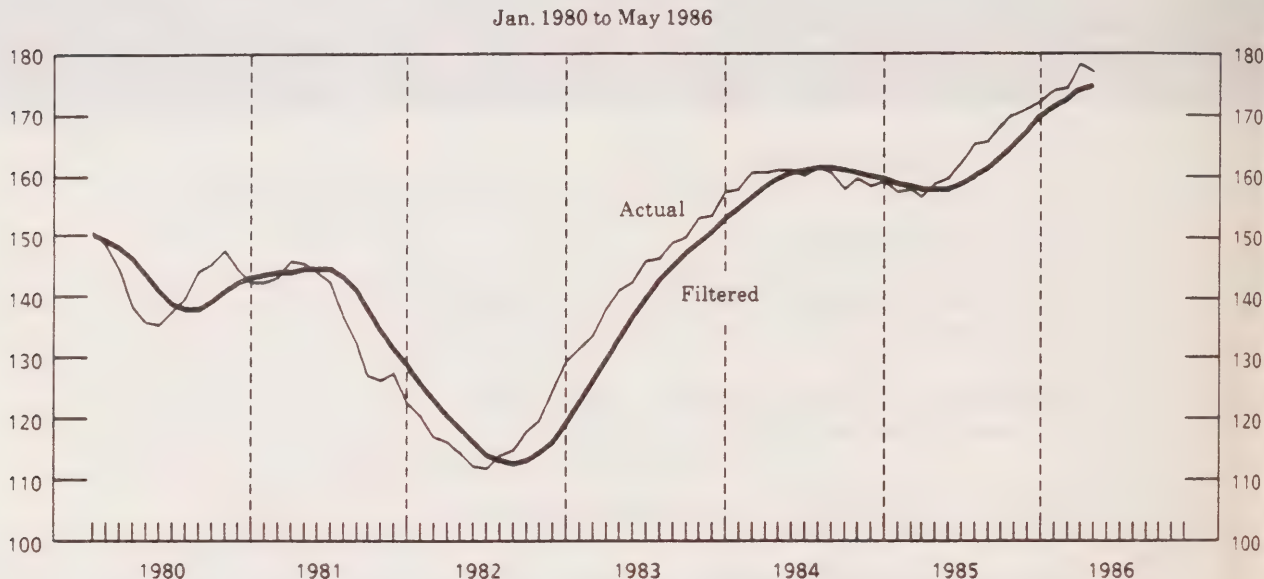
The first of its kind, this publication presents more than 420 life tables with respect to Canada and the provinces. Differentials in mortality and survivorship patterns are presented, with special emphasis on longevity trends across Canada over the past six decades.

Longevity and Historical Life Tables (abridged) will be a useful reference document for demographers, health professionals, actuaries and insurance companies.

Order *Longevity and Historical Life Tables (abridged), Canada and the Provinces, 1921-1981* (89-506, \$20), available today. Contact: Dhruva Nagnur (613-991-3755), Social and Economic Studies Division.

Major Releases

The Canadian Composite Leading Index (1971 = 100)



Composite Leading Indicator

May 1986

The Canadian composite leading indicator (1971 = 100) posted a 0.8% increase to a level of 174.9 in May 1986. The prospect for continued economic growth is reflected by the steady rate of increase over the past eight months, although the sources of growth have narrowed. Only the Toronto Stock Exchange rose more quickly (3.5%) than the overall index in May. The leading indicators of household demand in Canada and export demand in the U.S. continued to grow moderately, while sluggish investment and auto demand hampered manufacturing activity.
(see table on page 3)

Available on CANSIM: matrix 161.

Order the monthly *Current Economic Indicators* (13-005, \$10/\$100). This publication also contains the *Monthly Economic Review* that formerly appeared in the *DAILY*. The August issue of this publication will be released on the 19th of this month. For further information on data published in this issue and the next release dates, or about ordering, contact G. Proulx (613-991-1789). For general information contact, P. Cross (613-991-1789), International and Financial Economics Division.

Canadian Leading Indicators

	% Change						Level
	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	May
Composite leading index (1971 = 100)							
Filtered	1.17	1.03	0.99	0.86	0.96	0.83	174.83
Unfiltered	0.6	0.3	1.3	0.2	2.2	-0.4	177.00
Retail Trade							
Furniture and appliance sales	1.10	0.62	0.31	0.24	0.36	0.45	120,926 ⁴
New motor vehicle sales	2.48	1.17	0.52	-1.53	-1.79	-1.98	724,086 ⁴
Residential construction index ¹	-0.37	-0.56	0.52	-0.58	0.80	0.68	95.17
Manufacturing							
New orders - durable	0.00	-0.43	-0.32	-0.90	-0.45	-0.53	3,461 ⁵
Shipment to inventory ratio - (Finished goods) ²	0.005	0.006	0.005	0.0	0.008	0.007	1.68
Average workweek (Hours)	0.09	0.08	-0.03	-0.11	-0.12	-0.05	38.88
Percentage change in price per unit labour cost ²	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.05	-0.03
United States composite leading index (1972 = 100)	0.58	0.55	0.56	0.58	0.68	0.63	176.11
TSE 300 stock price index (Excluding oil and gas)	1.28	1.52	1.85	2.87	3.46	3.37	3,016.0
Money supply (M1) (\$1971) ³	0.63	0.25	-0.08	-0.22	-0.58	-0.68	10,241.0 ⁵

¹ Composite index of housing starts (units), building permits (constant dollars) and mortgage loan approvals (numbers). Because of the unavailability of the actual level of mortgage loan approvals, a forecast was used in the computation of the residential index for the two last months.

² Difference from previous month.

³ Deflated by the consumer price index for all items.

⁴ Thousands of 1971 dollars.

⁵ Millions of 1971 dollars.

Estimates of Labour Income

May 1986

The preliminary May 1986 estimate of labour income was \$22,080.8 million, an increase of 4.9% from May 1985. This is a smaller increase than the average year-over-year growth rate (6.1%) for the first four months of 1986. The seasonally adjusted estimate of wages and salaries¹ for May 1986 was virtually unchanged (-0.3%) from April 1986, the fifth consecutive month of little change in the all industry estimate.

Wages and salaries in the goods producing industries decreased by 1.5% from April, following three consecutive months of little or no change. The mines, quarries and oil wells industry declined by 2.6%, the third monthly decrease recorded in 1986. A decline of 7.0% was observed in the construction industry, marking the fourth decrease since December 1985. The forestry industry also declined in May while the remaining goods producing industries showed little change. On an annual basis, the estimate of wages and salaries in mines, quarries and oil wells declined in May 1986 for the first time in almost three years. Wages and salaries in the construction industry decreased by 2.6% in May 1986 compared to May 1985, the first annual decline in this industry since August 1984. All other industries had the same annual rate of change in wages and salaries in May as in the first four months of 1986.

¹ Wages and salaries account for 90% of labour income.

The seasonally adjusted estimate of wages and salaries in the service producing industries moved up slightly (+0.4%) from the previous month, similar to the monthly changes observed throughout 1986. Increases in trade, health and welfare and federal administration were partially offset by declines in transportation, communications and other utilities, and finance, insurance and real estate. The 8.1% rise in wages and salaries for federal administration was mainly due to retroactive payments resulting from contract settlements. Annually, with the exception of federal administration which increased significantly, all other service producing industries experienced very little change in annual growth rates.

Provincially, the seasonally adjusted estimates of wages and salaries were little changed in May 1986 from April 1986 in all provinces except Alberta where a decrease of 2.0% occurred.

(see table on page 5)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1791 and 1792.

Order the April-June 1986 issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$15/\$60), available in October 1986. Contact: Georgette Gauthier (613-990-9900), Labour Income Section, Labour Division.

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

May 1986

(millions of dollars)

	May 1986 ^p	April 1986 ^r	March 1986 ^f	May 1985
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	168.5			
Forestry	127.4	133.1	109.3	156.6
Mines, quarries and oil wells	513.7	114.3	127.0	136.0
Manufacturing industries	4,243.9	514.3	536.7	528.4
Construction industry	1,022.6	4,156.7	4,096.9	4,024.5
Transportation, communications and other utilities		997.5	924.0	1,050.3
Trade	2,133.4	2,113.5	2,111.9	2,059.5
Finance, insurance and real estate	2,742.2	2,672.0	2,601.5	2,557.5
Commercial and personal service	1,559.1	1,547.0	1,512.6	1,440.2
Education and related services	2,520.5	2,465.3	2,408.5	2,437.8
Health and welfare services	1,802.3	1,805.4	1,797.8	1,725.0
Federal administration and other government offices	1,364.1	1,339.5	1,335.2	1,289.0
Provincial administration	768.2	705.5	708.2	703.4
Local administration	532.7	521.2	525.4	513.5
Total wages and salaries	433.2	428.6	424.0	412.9
Supplementary labour income	19,931.8	19,513.9	19,219.0	19,034.6
Labour income	2,148.9	2,102.6	2,069.2	2,020.1
	22,080.8	21,616.5	21,288.1	21,054.7
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	166.7	172.0	163.0	157.7
Forestry	136.7	146.7	150.4	145.7
Mines, quarries and oil wells	515.5	529.3	545.6	530.3
Manufacturing industries	4,191.8	4,176.0	4,157.8	3,974.9
Construction industry	1,016.8	1,092.9	1,101.6	1,048.1
Transportation, communications and other utilities				
Trade	2,123.8	2,146.5	2,156.5	2,049.6
Finance, insurance and real estate	2,720.3	2,694.3	2,657.4	2,537.7
Commercial and personal service	1,546.5	1,560.4	1,520.1	1,429.0
Education and related services	2,502.4	2,495.1	2,472.5	2,420.7
Health and welfare services	1,744.5	1,744.4	1,726.7	1,669.0
Federal administration and other government offices	1,350.0	1,337.4	1,342.2	1,276.0
Provincial administration	765.9	709.2	706.4	701.1
Local administration	529.9	536.1	538.3	510.8
Total wages and salaries	432.9	437.4	432.6	412.5
Supplementary labour income	19,757.1	19,810.7	19,710.9	18,873.6
Labour income	2,129.4	2,135.2	2,124.4	2,002.0
	21,886.5	21,945.8	21,835.3	20,875.6

^p Preliminary estimate.

^r Revised estimate.

^f Final estimate.

Data Availability Announcements

Department Store Sales by Province and Metropolitan Area

June 1986

Department stores in Canada reported sales totalling \$939 million in June 1986, up 3.5% over the June 1985 level of \$907 million. Cumulative sales for the period January to June 1986 totalled \$5,358 million, up 7.3% over the corresponding period in 1985.

Department store sales during June 1986, for the provinces and the 10 metropolitan areas surveyed, were as follows (with the percentage change from June 1985 in parentheses):

Provinces

- Newfoundland, \$11.1 million (-3.5%);
- Prince Edward Island, \$5.8 million (+2.6%);
- Nova Scotia, \$30.0 million (-2.2%);
- New Brunswick, \$19.7 million (-1.2%);
- Quebec, \$172.4 million (-0.7%);
- Ontario, \$349.2 million (+5.0%);
- Manitoba, \$46.8 million (+0.7%);
- Saskatchewan, \$29.0 million (+2.0%);
- Alberta, \$124.5 million (+5.2%);
- British Columbia, \$150.4 million (+7.4%).

Metropolitan Area

- Calgary, \$47.7 million (+3.3%);
- Edmonton, \$55.4 million (+5.3%);
- Halifax-Dartmouth, \$16.8 million (-1.5%);
- Hamilton, \$25.6 million (+5.2%);
- Montreal, \$100.7 million (-0.7%);
- Ottawa-Hull, \$40.7 million (+2.0%);
- Quebec City, \$24.6 million (-1.0%);
- Toronto, \$142.0 million (+6.7%);
- Vancouver, \$91.6 million (+8.4%);
- Winnipeg, \$41.8 million (+0.1%).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Department Store Monthly Sales, by Province and Selected Metropolitan Area* (63-004, \$2/\$20), available the fourth week of August. Information on department store sales and stocks by department will be released in the *DAILY* the week of August 18. Contact: Lina Di Piéto (613-991-3551), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Construction Type Plywood

June 1986

Canadian firms produced 177 114 cubic metres (200,152,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis) of construction type plywood during June 1986, an increase of 4.0% over the 170 329 cubic metres (192,483,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis) produced during June 1985.

January to June 1986 production totalled 1 084 450 cubic metres (1,225,507,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis), an increase of 8.0% over the 1 004 158 cubic metres (1,134,771,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis) produced during the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 122 (level 1).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Construction Type Plywood* (35-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the last week of August. Contact: Jock Dobie (604-666-2671), British Columbia and Yukon Regional Office, Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 3C9.

Production of Eggs

June 1986

Canadian egg production totalled 40.4 million dozen in June 1986, up 1.5% from 39.8 million a year earlier. The average number of layers increased 1% to 23.5 million in June 1986 from 23.4 million a year earlier, while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased to 2,058 from 2,037.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1145, 1146 and 5689-5691.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release September 4. Contact: Peter Beerstecher (613-990-8716), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Publications Released

**International Travel – Advance
Information, June 1986**

Catalogue number 66-001P

(Canada: \$5/\$50; Other Countries: \$6/\$60)

Longevity and Historical Life

**Tables (Abridged), Canada and the
Provinces, 1921-1981**

Catalogue number 89-506

(Canada: \$20; Other Countries: \$21.50)

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Major Releases

Financing Activity in Canada

First Quarter 1986

Financing activity on conventional credit markets by non-financial domestic sectors in the first quarter of 1986 amounted to \$18.9 billion, down from \$20.7 billion in the first quarter of 1985.

The principal reason for the reduction was the lower borrowing undertaken by **general government**, attributable entirely to the federal government's reduced financing requirements. The Government of Canada's deficit fell to \$7.6 billion, largely because of an increase in personal taxes. Marketable Canadian dollar bonds and Treasury bills were the preferred forms of financing for the federal government, but these funds were needed to finance the sharp drop in Canada Savings Bonds outstanding. The federal government also made recourse to foreign capital markets to bolster Canada's international reserves at a time when the Canadian dollar was under renewed selling pressure. A total of \$2.0 billion was raised from issues of bonds abroad, and a further \$1.0 billion from drawings on its lines of credit with Canadian and foreign banks.

The **household sector**, on the other hand, saw its borrowing rise strongly, when compared with the same period in 1985. Most of this strength was accounted for by mortgage financing, in line with the improved housing market. Persons and unincorporated business also raised the level of bank loans outstanding, in part for business purposes, and in part to

acquire financial assets (such as RRSPs). Consumer credit, on the other hand, registered only a slight increase, reflecting, in part, seasonal factors, but also the substantial increase in consumer borrowing rates that occurred in the period.

Non-financial corporate business accounted for the largest share of funds raised on these markets by non-financial sectors, about the same as in the first quarter of 1985. However, the make-up of the type of instruments changed substantially – bank loans rose very strongly, after several quarters of moderate growth, while short-term paper (which includes bankers' acceptances) fell sharply. Most of the switch appeared to be related to the narrowing of the yield differential between the two instruments. The net increase in short-term borrowing may have been related to the rise in inventory holdings in the quarter. Bond and share issues also showed strong increases, reflecting rising prices in both of these markets.

(see table on page 3)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 701-743 and 749.

Order the first quarter 1986 issue of *Financial Flow Accounts* (13-002P, \$10/\$11), available today. Contact: John Joisce, Gerry Gravel or Christian Lajule (613-990-9043), International and Financial Economics Division.

Financial Market Summary Table

(Millions of Dollars)

	1985					1986
	I	II	III	IV	Annual	I
1. Persons and unincorporated business:	1,906	5,062	6,342	10,335	23,645	5,335
Consumer credit	484	2,521	1,785	2,829	7,619	309
Bank loans	-917	385	-203	1,686	951	646
Other loans	361	-923	662	1,156	1,256	741
Short-term paper	-3	3	-8	-3	-11	-3
Mortgages	1,951	3,114	4,126	4,609	13,800	3,631
Bonds	30	-38	-20	58	30	11
2. Non-financial private corporations:	8,250	5,327	6,329	2,461	22,367	6,309
Bank loans	1,889	1,056	-1,824	1,505	2,626	5,013
Other loans	1,921	492	-322	139	2,230	939
Short-term paper	1,390	-1,017	5,329	-2,300	3,402	-4,029
Mortgages	616	200	200	430	1,446	176
Bonds	188	391	544	701	1,824	1,781
Stocks	2,246	4,205	2,402	1,986	10,839	2,429
3. Non-financial government enterprises:	1,669	-513	1,073	156	2,385	2,347
Bank loans	1,740	-1,165	40	-177	438	958
Other loans	209	-13	153	-28	321	-141
Short-term paper	96	229	-6	199	518	34
Mortgages	-1	-	-2	-3	-6	-1
Bonds	-82	563	888	165	1,534	1,387
Stocks	-293	-127	-	-	-420	110
4. General government:	8,825	9,587	8,895	13,772	41,079	4,936
Bank loans	991	-236	-378	1,100	1,477	1,010
Other loans	1,438	-572	-328	211	749	562
Treasury bills	2,664	4,050	5,740	-2,565	9,889	2,317
Short-term paper	-575	-477	299	538	-215	722
Mortgages	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bonds	4,307	6,822	3,562	14,488	29,179	325
5. Total borrowing by domestic non-financial sectors:	20,650	19,463	22,639	26,724	89,476	18,927
6. Rest of the world:	1,095	2,329	248	1,924	5,596	1,317
Bank loans	29	-1	-978	64	-886	14
Other loans	172	414	82	181	849	-383
Mortgages	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stocks	894	1,916	1,144	1,679	5,633	1,686
7. Total borrowing excluding domestic financial institutions	21,745	21,792	22,887	28,648	95,072	20,244
8. Domestic financial institutions:	1,665	4,966	7,675	4,347	18,653	9,980
Bank loans	-108	57	3,525	-1,434	2,040	1,762
Other loans	-198	1,893	1,293	1,114	4,102	2,108
Short-term paper	510	788	255	-384	1,169	1,165
Mortgages	48	-13	-5	-53	-23	4
Bonds	221	286	550	1,404	2,461	931
Stocks	1,192	1,955	2,057	3,700	8,904	4,010
9. Total	23,410	26,758	30,562	32,995	113,725	30,224

- nil or zero.

Farm Cash Receipts

January-June 1986

Farm cash receipts for the January-June 1986 period were estimated at \$10,199.6 million, an increase of 0.9% from the revised level of \$10,108.9 million for the corresponding period in 1985.

Receipts from the sale of field crops totalled \$4,773.1 million, a 3.6% decline from the 1985 level of \$4,948.8 million. Lower prices for all major field crops, lower Canadian Wheat Board payments and lower liquidations of deferred grain receipts were partially offset by higher crop insurance and Western Grain Stabilization Act payments, as well as higher wheat and barley receipts. Increased marketings of wheat, barley, tobacco and soybeans more than offset the price declines in these commodities. Cash receipts decreased for oats, rye, flaxseed, rapeseed, corn and potatoes.

Total livestock receipts were down by 1.0% to \$4,804.7 million in 1986 from \$4,851.4 million in 1985. Receipts for cattle declined due to lower marketings and prices, while receipts for calves decreased in spite of higher prices. Receipts increased for hogs, sheep, lambs, dairy products and poultry but declined for eggs.

Other cash receipts (forest and maple products as well as provincial income stabilization, deficiency, dairy supplementary

and other supplementary payments) rose to \$621.9 million in 1986 from \$308.7 million in 1985. Higher provincial income stabilization payments in Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, and increased supplementary payments in response to the drought that occurred in 1985 in these provinces, were the principal reasons for this increase.

Estimated farm cash receipts measure the gross returns to farmers from the sale of all agricultural products. They also include Canadian Wheat Board payments, cash advances paid on farm-stored commodities and deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board.

Realized net farm income, which takes into account producers' operating expenses and depreciation charges, will be published in the new publication, *Agriculture Economic Statistics* (21-603).

Available on CANSIM: matrices 175 and 450-459.

Order the January-June 1986 issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, \$7/\$70), scheduled for release August 22. This publication is also available immediately on Envoy 100, an electronic messaging system. Contact: Lambert Gauthier or Jackie LeBlanc-Cooke (613-990-8706), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations

January-June
(Millions of Dollars)

	1985 ^r	1986	% change 1986/1985
Newfoundland	20.3	20.4	0.4
Prince Edward Island	89.7	74.5	-16.9
Nova Scotia	118.3	120.3	1.7
New Brunswick	103.4	103.0	-0.3
Quebec	1,444.9	1,435.2	-0.7
Ontario	2,434.8	2,464.9	1.2
Manitoba	988.8	1,116.6	12.9
Saskatchewan	2,384.7	2,392.2	0.3
Alberta	2,075.3	2,027.3	-2.3
British Columbia	448.7	445.2	-0.8
Canada	10,108.9	10,199.6	0.9

^r revised.

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding.

Data Availability Announcements

Railway Carloadings

10 Days Ending July 31, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the 10 days ending July 31, 1986 totalled 6.0 million tonnes, a decrease of 6.9% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 28 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release the week of August 18. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Steel Ingots

Week Ending August 9, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending August 9, 1986 totalled 217 635 tonnes, a decrease of 6.6% from the preceding week's total of 233 065 tonnes and down 18.3% from the year-earlier level of 266 496 tonnes.

The cumulative total in 1986 was 8 609 076 tonnes, a decrease of 1.1% from 8 705 641 tonnes for the same period in 1985.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Steel Ingots and Pig Iron

July 1986

Preliminary steel ingot production for July 1986 totalled 1 050 000 tonnes, a decrease of 1.5% from 1 065 821 tonnes the previous year. Year-to-date steel ingot production totalled 8 324 851 tonnes, a decrease of 0.6% from 8 374 968 tonnes for the same period the previous year.

Preliminary pig iron production totalled 710 000 tonnes in July, down 5.4% from 750 138 tonnes a year earlier.

Year-to-date pig iron production totalled 5 448 720 tonnes, a decrease of 3.0% compared to 5 617 559 tonnes for the same period the previous year.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 58 (level 2, series 3).

Order the July 1986 issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, \$4/\$40), available mid-September. Contact: G.W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Grain Marketing Situation Report

July 1986

The situation report for July is now available. This report presents up-to-date information on the Canadian and world grain supply and market situation.

Contact: Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Room 600, 266 Graham Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4.

Publications Released

Financial Flow Accounts, First Quarter 1986
Catalogue number 13-002P
(Canada: \$10/\$40; Other Countries: \$11/\$44)

Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin,
Vol. 18, No. 7 Catalogue number 51-004
(Canada: \$8.50/\$85; Other Countries:
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- The index increased to 92, up 9.5% from June

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Legal Aid in Canada 1985

Legal Aid in Canada, a new publication released today, shows that costs of Canada's legal aid system grew rapidly in the early 1970s. However, since 1976 expenditures have increased at a lesser rate: for example, constant dollar per capita expenditures at the national level increased by 8% over the nine-year period.

This publication provides revenues, expenditures and government contributions for Canada's 12 provincial and territorial legal aid plans from 1973-74 to 1984-85. Detailed caseload statistics are reported for 1981-82 to 1984-85. The report provides a description of each legal aid plan, including legal coverage, financial eligibility guidelines and services available, together with a directory of legal aid office locations.

Order *Legal Aid in Canada, 1985* (85-216, \$35), available from Publication Sales (613-993-7276). For more information, call Andrew Kohut (613-993-7622), Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

Major Release

Help-wanted Index

July 1986

The seasonally adjusted Help-wanted Index for Canada (1981 = 100) increased in July 1986 to 92 from 84 a month earlier, reaching its highest level since November 1981 when the index registered 93. The index has, with a few exceptions, been registering increases since February 1983 when it stood at its lowest level (33).

Between June and July 1986 the Help-wanted Index advanced in Ontario (to 129 from 111) and Quebec (to 93 from 85) while it decreased slightly in the other three regions.

The Canada trend cycle¹ increased in July 1986, continuing an upward movement which started in December 1982 (see chart).

By region, Ontario recorded the only advance between June and July 1986; the Atlantic provinces registered a decline and the remaining regions showed little or no change. The trend cycle for Ontario has been

increasing since January 1983 while in the Atlantic provinces it has been declining since December 1985.

The Help-wanted Index measures the demand for labour by monitoring help-wanted ads published in 18 major metropolitan area newspapers.

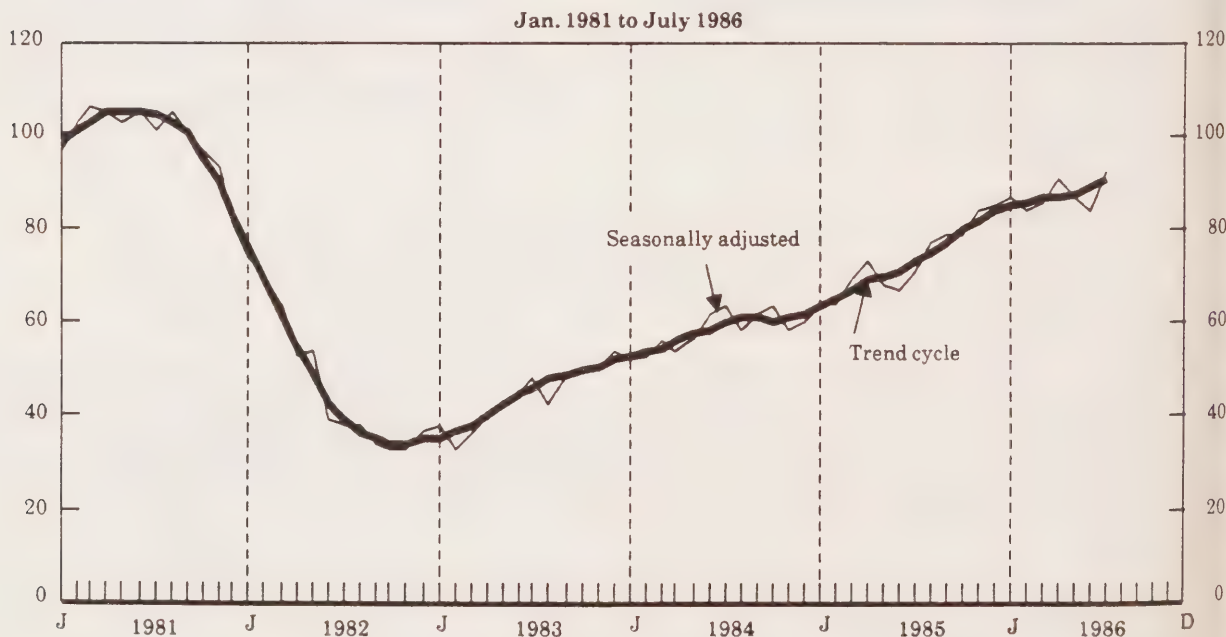
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¹ The trend cycle provides an indication of the direction in the demand for labour as measured by the Help-wanted Index. It is calculated by the X-11 ARIMA seasonal adjustment program. Essentially, the calculation involves a moving average which smooths irregular fluctuations in the seasonally adjusted data.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 105.

Contact: Horst Stiebert (613-990-9900), Labour Division.

Help-wanted Index, Canada (1981 = 100)



Help-wanted Index,¹ Canada and Regions

(1981 = 100)

Seasonally Adjusted

Year and month	Canada	Atlantic Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia
1985						
July	71	134	76	91	43	32
August	77	156	85	95	43	33
September	79	226	77	93	43	34
October	79	162	84	93	44	35
November	84	213	83	96	39	39
December	85	216	88	95	45	39
1986						
January	87	146	93	107	43	38
February	84	205	89	98	47	41
March	86	139	90	104	46	44
April	91	145	94	119	46	41
May	87	155	96	107	43	37
June	84	144	85	111	44	41
July	92	140	93	129	42	40

¹ The index is calculated from help-wanted advertisements published in 18 major metropolitan area newspapers.

² The data for the Atlantic provinces sometime show large month-to-month variations which are caused by special advertisements which have been placed in the help-wanted classified section; these ads are commonly found under "Careers" in newspapers published in other areas.

Data Availability Announcement

Major Appliances

June 1986

Canadian firms produced 197,754 major appliances during June 1986, a decrease of 0.1% from the 197,956 units produced in the previous month and a decrease of 15.4% from the 233,661 units produced in June 1985.

Year-to-date production to June 1986 amounted to 1,227,168 units versus 1,096,917 for the first six months in 1985, an 11.9% increase.

Domestic sales of major appliances by these Canadian firms increased to 197,838 units in June 1986, up 16.0% from 170,567 units in May 1986, and up 1.4% from the 195,147 units sold in the same month of 1985.

Year-to-date domestic sales to June 1986 amounted to 976,260 units from 899,090 units for the same period of 1985, an 8.6% increase.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 65, 66 and 122 (series 30).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Production, Sales and Stocks of Major Appliances* (43-010, \$4/\$40), to be released this week. Contact: Aldo Diaz (613-991-3523), Industry Division.

Publications Released

Income after Tax, Distributions by Size in Canada, 1984 Catalogue number 13-210
(Canada: \$20; Other Countries: \$21)

Tobacco Products Industries, 1984 Catalogue number 32-225
(Canada: \$20; Other Countries: \$21)

Rigid Insulating Board, June 1986 Catalogue number 36-002
(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Railway Carloadings, 7-day Period Ending July 21, 1986 Catalogue number 52-005
(Canada: \$75; Other Countries: \$100)

Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics, May 1986 Catalogue number 53-003
(Canada: \$6.50/\$65; Other Countries: \$7.50/\$75)

Electric Power Statistics, May 1986 Catalogue number 57-001
(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Security Transactions with Non-residents, April 1986 Catalogue number 67-002
(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

Unemployment Insurance Statistics, May 1986 Catalogue number 73-001
(Canada: \$12/\$120; Other Countries: \$13/\$130)

Legal Aid in Canada, 1985 Catalogue number 85-216
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Sugar Sales

July 1986

Canadian sugar refiners reported total sales of 97 342 052 kilograms for all types of sugar in July 1986, comprising 94 139 470 kilograms in domestic sales and 3 202 582 kilograms in export sales. The 1986 cumulative year-to-date sales reported for all types of sugar totalled 597 446 012 kilograms: 567 999 157 kilograms in domestic sales and 29 446 855 kilograms in export sales.

This compares to total sales of 91 056 000 kilograms in July 1985, of which 87 547 000 kilograms were domestic sales and 3 509 000 kilograms were export sales. The 1985 cumulative year-to-date sales reported for all types of sugar were 594 573 000 kilograms: 571 075 000 kilograms in domestic sales and 23 498 000 kilograms in export sales.

Order the July 1986 issue of *The Sugar Situation* (32-013, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of September 1. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Shipments of Rolled Steel

June 1986

Rolled steel shipments for June 1986 totalled 993 904 tonnes, a decrease of 3.0% from the preceding month's total of 1 025 148 tonnes and down 6.2% from the year-earlier level of 1 059 044 tonnes.

Year-to-date shipments totalled 6 034 900 tonnes, a decline of 0.5% compared to 6 065 773 tonnes the previous year.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 58 and 122 (series 22-25).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of September 1. Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins

June 1986

Canadian chemical firms produced 90 922 tonnes of polyethylene synthetic resins in June 1986, an increase of 18.8% from the 76 505 tonnes produced in June 1985. January to June 1986 production totalled 551 590 tonnes, up 20.6% from the level reached during the same period a year earlier.

Also available are figures for June 1986 on Canadian production of three other types of synthetic resins and 28 industrial chemicals, along with corresponding cumulatives and 1985 data.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 951.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins* (46-002, \$5/\$50), to be released the week of August 25. Contact: Louis Boucher (613-991-3513), Industry Division.

Steel Ingots

June 1986

Steel ingot production for June 1986 totalled 1 224 090 tonnes, a decrease of 3.6% from 1 270 194 tonnes the previous year.

Year-to-date production totalled 7 274 851 tonnes, a decrease of 0.5% compared to 7 309 867 tonnes the previous year.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 58 (level 2, series 3).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of September 1. Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Exports by Commodities

June 1986

Commodity-country export trade statistics for June 1986 are now available on microfiche, computer printouts or magnetic tapes in advance of the monthly publication.

Available on CANSIM (for selected information): matrices 3686-3713 and 3719.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Exports by Commodities* (65-004, \$50/\$500), available the first week of September. Contact: G. L. Blaney (613-990-9647), International Trade Division.

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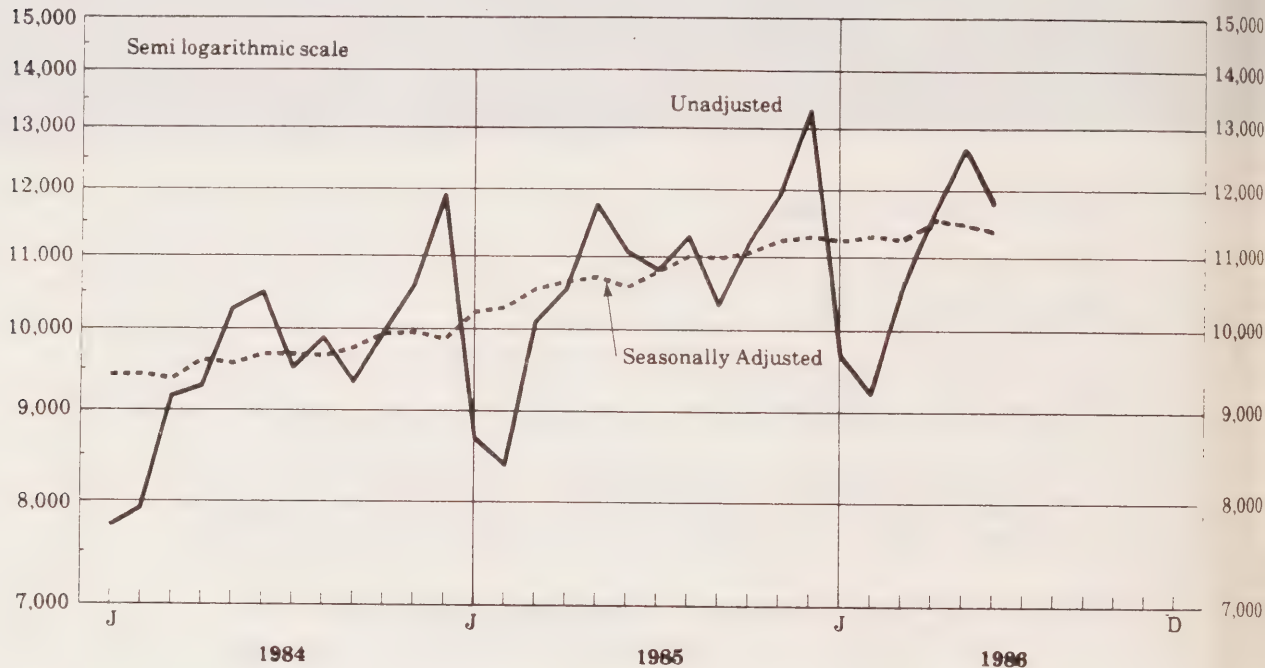
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Retail Trade

June 1986

Highlights

Seasonally Adjusted Sales

- Adjusted for seasonal fluctuations and the number of trading days, preliminary estimates indicate retail sales in June 1986 declined for the second consecutive month to \$11,409 million (not adjusted for price change), a reduction of 0.7% from the previous month's revised total of \$11,494 million.
- In terms of recent trends, during the six-month period from January to June 1986, retail sales advanced on average by 0.3% on a monthly basis, a significant reduction from the 1.0% average increase recorded in

the last six months of 1985. The 0.3% monthly average increase in sales was due to significant increases in February (+0.7%) and April 1986 (+2.6%), which were partly offset by decreases in the other four months.

- The following trade groups had the most significant impact on the overall 0.7% decline (\$85 million) in retail trade in June 1986: motor vehicle dealers (\$45 million or -1.9%), grocery, confectionery and sundries stores (\$33 million or -5.4%) and department stores (\$23 million or -2.2%). The decline observed in motor vehicle dealer sales was the second consecutive month in which these sales have dropped. Partly offsetting the impact of these decreases was an increase in automotive parts and accessories store sales (\$14 million or +5.6%).

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- On a provincial basis, retail sales declines in Ontario (\$131 million or -3.0%) and in Quebec (\$21 million or -0.7%) had the largest impact on the decrease at the national level. The following provinces and territories also posted losses that were equal to or higher than the national average: Yukon and Northwest Territories (-3.1%), Saskatchewan (-1.1%), and New Brunswick and Alberta (both at -0.7%).

Unadjusted Sales

- Total retail trade for June 1986 rose 6.2% or \$691 million over the same month last year, totalling \$11,758 million (not adjusted for price change). Cumulative retail sales for the first six months of 1986 amounted to \$65,484 million, up 8.1% over the corresponding period in 1985.
- Year-over-year comparisons showed a moderate rise of 3.4% for all food stores and a more substantial increase of 9.0% for motor vehicle dealers – two groups which in total account for approximately 50% of total retail sales. Department store sales, which totalled \$939 million in June 1986, were up 3.4% over the same month a year earlier.

Sales by service stations declined by 2.6% from the June 1985 level. This was the third consecutive month during which, on a year-over-year basis, service station sales have decreased.

- On a provincial basis, most of the year-over-year growth registered in June 1986 was concentrated in Ontario (\$290 million or +6.9%), Quebec (\$198 million or +7.2%) and British Columbia (\$64 million or +5.2%). New Brunswick also posted a significant gain, with an increase in sales of \$25 million or +9.4%.
- At the metropolitan level, the following sales gains were recorded: Toronto (+10.0%), Vancouver (+9.1%), Montreal (+6.5%) and Winnipeg (+3.3%).
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Available on CANSIM: matrices 2300-2304, 2306-2313, 2315-2317, 2320 and 2321.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, \$14/\$140), available the fourth week of September. Contact: Lina Di Piéto (613-991-3551) or Maurice Massaad (613-990-9682), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Retail Trade, Canada, by Kind of Business

Kind of business	Unadjusted sales all stores				Seasonally adjusted sales all stores				
	June 1985	May 1986 ^r	June 1986 ^p	June '86/'85	March 1986 ^r	April 1986 ^r	May 1986 ^r	June 1986 ^p	June '86/ May '86
	(millions of \$)			%	(millions of \$)				%
Combination stores (groceries and meat)	2,023.2	2,304.2	2,012.3	-0.5	2,013.9	2,071.1	2,065.4	2,065.3	--
Grocery, confectionery and sundries stores	539.1	649.4	614.8	14.0	574.8	588.9	610.1	577.3	-5.4
All other food stores	199.0	237.1	226.7	13.9	215.0	210.8	217.0	217.0	--
Department stores	907.3	1,083.5	939.1	3.4	1,060.5	1,057.6	1,061.4	1,038.2	-2.2
General merchandise stores	202.8	235.4	217.1	7.0	237.9	236.1	235.4	231.9	-1.5
General stores	182.3	189.3	192.2	5.4	176.0	176.2	172.6	175.0	1.4
Variety stores	103.1	111.1	102.6	-0.5	112.4	106.3	106.4	105.6	-0.8
Motor vehicle dealers	2,409.5	2,832.5	2,626.4	9.0	2,155.0	2,385.2	2,318.4	2,273.3	-1.9
Used car dealers	59.7	74.3	72.8	21.9	60.7	65.6	61.1	63.4	3.6
Service stations	935.7	921.1	910.9	-2.6	916.9	899.9	902.1	898.0	-0.4
Garages	120.0	142.1	141.1	17.5	124.9	136.3	130.9	135.2	3.3
Automotive parts and accessories stores	268.9	309.2	306.4	13.9	254.9	250.7	249.5	263.4	5.6
Men's clothing stores	112.8	130.3	116.5	3.2	114.7	116.8	117.2	115.2	-1.7
Women's clothing stores	222.4	265.8	243.7	9.5	242.8	247.6	244.5	246.2	0.7
Family clothing stores	150.5	174.0	160.1	6.3	167.3	164.9	167.8	165.3	-1.5
Specialty shoe stores	17.5	20.1	19.4	10.8	18.5	19.1	18.4	20.0	8.5
Family shoe stores	86.4	109.7	93.8	8.6	97.3	101.7	96.1	97.8	1.8
Hardware stores	116.4	135.2	131.0	12.5	103.5	107.8	106.9	106.8	-0.1
Household furniture stores	131.4	147.2	145.7	10.9	138.1	140.9	140.2	142.9	1.9
Household appliance stores	39.0	50.8	42.5	8.9	51.8	50.6	50.0	46.5	-7.2
Furniture, TV, radio and appliance stores	92.2	102.7	105.2	14.1	96.1	98.9	103.0	107.0	3.9
Pharmacies, patent medicine and cosmetics stores	428.0	494.7	471.8	10.2	486.8	492.0	493.8	486.8	-1.4
Book and stationery stores	49.7	56.5	56.1	12.7	63.2	63.0	63.9	65.7	3.0
Florists	39.9	63.0	44.4	11.1	49.4	33.5	41.2	42.6	3.3
Jewellery stores	72.8	80.8	78.5	7.8	81.0	82.8	83.4	83.5	0.2
Sporting goods and accessories stores	201.4	232.1	213.3	5.8	160.2	164.2	164.5	164.8	0.2
Personal accessories stores	140.5	155.4	158.6	12.8	154.4	156.4	160.1	159.9	-0.2
All other stores	1,215.9	1,376.1	1,315.0	8.1	1,324.2	1,317.5	1,312.9	1,314.4	0.1
All stores - Total	11,067.5	12,683.3	11,758.1	6.2	11,252.1	11,542.6	11,494.1	11,409.3	-0.7

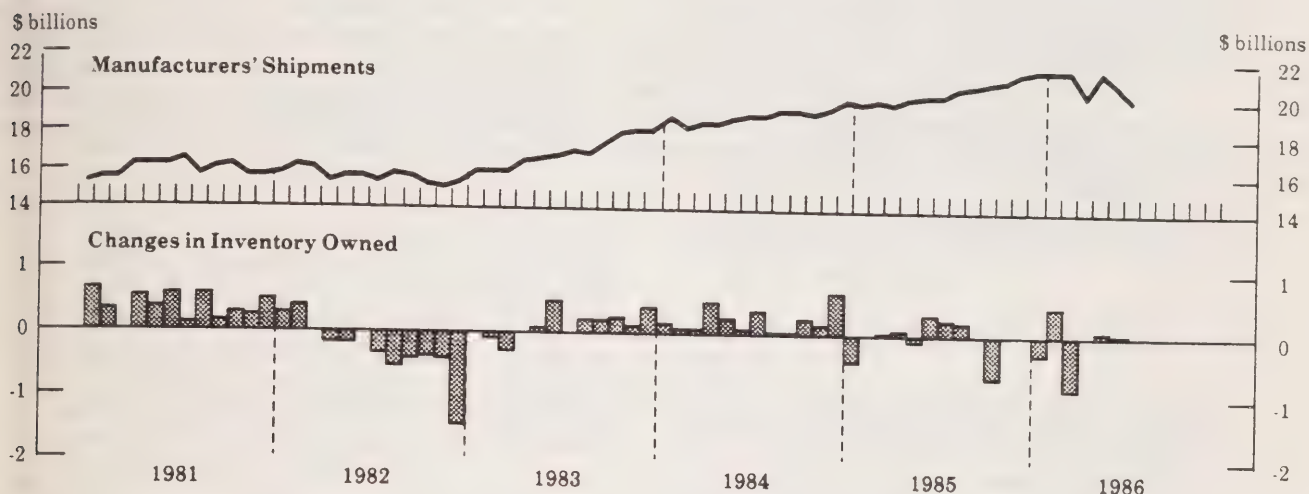
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- Nil or zero.

Manufacturers' Shipments and Changes in Inventory Owned, 1981-1986

(Seasonally adjusted)



Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries

June 1986

Highlights

- Preliminary estimates indicate that the seasonally adjusted value of shipments for all Canadian manufacturing industries decreased 3.5% in June to \$20,005 million. The decrease in June was broadly based as 18 of the 22 major groups, including all nine durable goods major groups, reported lower shipments. Decreases in the value of shipments have now been observed in four of the last five months and the level for June stands 7.0% below the January peak and is in line with levels observed in the second quarter of 1985.
- The seasonally adjusted value of new orders received in June decreased 4.0% to \$19,997 million – the lowest value since April 1985.

- The seasonally adjusted unfilled orders backlog at the end of June remained almost unchanged at \$24,704 million, following a 0.4% increase in May. Except for a small decline of 0.2% in April, unfilled orders have been rising since November 1985.
- Seasonally adjusted, inventories owned by manufacturers at the end of June remained virtually unchanged from May at \$34,063 million. There has been little change in the level of inventories over the last three months, the June total being only 0.3% higher than the March 1986 level.
- The ratio of seasonally adjusted total inventory owned to seasonally adjusted shipments rose from 1.64:1 in May to 1.70:1 in June. This is the highest ratio reported in the last 12 months.

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- Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in June 1986 were estimated at \$21,751 million, 2.1% higher than June 1985. Cumulative shipments for the first six months of 1986 have been estimated at \$126,362 million. Although the 1986 cumulative shipments up to June are 5.1% over the same period in 1985, the rate has been declining since January when it was 9.4%.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, \$15/\$150), available in three to four weeks time. Data for shipments by province in greater detail than normally published may be available on request. Contact: the Shipments, Inventories and Orders Section (613-990-9832), Industry Division.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 9550-9580.

Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in all Manufacturing Industries

(Based on 1982 Census of Manufactures Benchmarks)
(millions of dollars)

	June 1986 ^p	May 1986 ^r	April 1986	June 1985
Not adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Shipments - Total	21,751.2	21,710.9	21,655.3	21,298.0
New orders - Total	21,500.6	21,759.0	21,640.4	21,259.8
Unfilled orders - Total	24,593.9	24,844.5	24,796.4	24,181.0
Inventory owned - Total	33,997.0	34,230.1	34,455.2	34,034.1
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Shipments - Total	20,004.7	20,723.4	21,398.7	20,097.5
New orders - Total	19,996.9	20,823.7	21,347.2	20,283.5
Unfilled orders - Total	24,704.0	24,711.8	24,611.4	24,314.6
Inventory owned - Total	34,063.0	34,024.5	33,971.0	34,114.7
Ratio of total inventories owned to shipments	1.70	1.64	1.59	1.70

^p Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

Sales of Refined Petroleum Products

June 1986

Highlights

- Preliminary figures indicate that sales of refined petroleum products in June 1986 amounted to 6 524 600 cubic metres, an advance of 10.9% from a year earlier.
- Sales of the main products in June 1986 were as follows with percentage changes from the same month in 1985: motor gasoline 2 889 500 cubic metres (+7.9%); stove oil and kerosene 34 400 cubic metres (+74.6%); diesel fuel oil 1 378 200 cubic metres (+9.7%); light fuel oil 258 600 cubic metres (+46.3%) and heavy fuel oil 549 800 cubic metres (+72.5%).
- For the first six months of 1986, sales of refined products amounted to 37 196 180 cubic metres, down 1.0% from the corresponding period last year. Motor gasoline sales reached 15 569 301 cubic metres

(+0.4%); stove oil and kerosene 384 288 cubic metres (-8.2%); diesel fuel oil 7 165 857 cubic metres (+1.6%); light fuel oil 4 129 008 cubic metres (-9.4%) and heavy fuel oil 3 006 556 cubic metres (-3.4%).

- Production of petroleum products by Canadian refiners in June 1986 totalled 7 437 701 cubic metres, up 2.0% from a year earlier. Year-to-date production amounted to 40 390 351 cubic metres, down 1.0% from January-June 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 628-641 and 644-647.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, \$15/\$150), available the second week of September. Contact: Gérard O'Connor (613-991-3562), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Sales of Natural Gas

June 1986

Highlights

- Total sales of natural gas for June amounted to 2 544 969 thousand cubic metres, down 3.4% from June 1985. However, year-to-date sales were up 0.9% to reach 27 845 670 thousand cubic metres.
- Sales to the residential sector for the January-June period increased marginally (up 0.4% to 7 750 095 thousand cubic metres), as did sales to the commercial

market (up 0.4% to 6 354 464 thousand cubic metres). Industrial sales, including direct sales by producers to industrial consumers were up 1.5% to 13 741 111 thousand cubic metres.

The following table presents preliminary information on sales of natural gas in Canada during June 1986.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, \$10/\$100), available the third week of September. Contact: Gary Smalldridge (613-991-3567), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Sales of Natural Gas

June 1986

	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Direct	Total
	(thousand cubic metres)				
New Brunswick	10	64	-	-	74
Quebec	20 666	34 369	219 616	-	274 651
Ontario	166 551	122 380	601 634	78 063	968 628
Manitoba	18 295	19 387	37 709	-	75 391
Saskatchewan	28 377	20 427	74 837	-	123 641
Alberta	126 253	84 827	623 906	-	834 986
British Columbia	58 489	56 698	152 411	-	267 598
Canada - June 1986	418 641	338 152	1 710 113	78 063	2 544 969
Canada - June 1985	423 536	327 258	1 882 933	-	2 633 727
% change	-1.2	+3.3		-5.0	-3.4
Year to date					
Canada 1986	7 750 095	6 354 464	13 460 289	280 822	27 845 670
Year to date					
Canada 1985	7 721 802	6 330 764	13 543 181	-	27 595 747
% change	+0.4	+0.4		+1.5	+0.9

- Nil or zero.

Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes

June 1986

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,575,834 phonograph records in June 1986, down 11.1% from the 4,021,720 produced a year earlier. Production of tapes increased to 3,215,313 in June 1986, up 9.5% from 2,936,815 tapes in June 1985.

Year-to-date production of phonograph records amounted to 21,681,108 - down 10.1% from the 24,116,821 records produced during the January to June 1985 period. Cumulative production of tapes increased 9.7% to 19,695,166 from 17,953,730 tapes during the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 2904.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada* (47-004, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 25. Contact: Don Grant (613-991-3518), Industry Division.

Electrical Appliances

June

Canadian electrical appliance firms produced 165,407 kitchen appliances in June 1986, up 7.4% from the 154,017 appliances produced a year earlier. Production of household vacuum cleaners totalled 33,784 - a drop of 38.6% from 55,033 in June 1985. Production of home comfort products reached 34,791 in June 1986 - an increase of 18.8% from the previous year's level of 29,277.

Year-to-date production in June 1986 amounted to 1,119,921 units (revised figure). Corresponding data for June 1985 are confidential.

Order the January-June 1986 issue of *Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances* (43-003, \$4/\$40), to be released this week. Contact: Aldo Diaz (613-991-3523), Industry Division.

Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings

June 1986

Steel pipe and tubing production for June 1986 totalled 109 828 tonnes, a decrease of 19.2% from the 135 911 tonnes (revised figure) produced a year earlier.

Year-to-date production totalled 688 335 tonnes, down 11.2% from the 775 012 tonnes produced during the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 35.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Steel Pipe, Tubing and Fittings* (41-011, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 25. Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Electric Storage Batteries

June 1986

Canadian manufacturers sold 174,055 automotive replacement batteries in June 1986, a decrease of 34.9% from the 267,567 batteries sold a year earlier.

Year-to-date sales amounted to 967,698 automotive replacement batteries in June 1986, down 6.5% from 1,035,019 for the same period in 1985.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries* (43-005, \$4/\$40), available the week of August 25. Contact: Aldo Diaz (613-991-3523), Industry Division.

Stocks of Frozen Poultry Products

August 1, 1986

Preliminary cold storage of frozen poultry products at August 1, 1986 and revised figures for July 1, 1986 are now available.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5675-5677.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry* (23-003, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release September 4. Contact: P. Beerstecher (613-990-8716), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

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- The CPI year-to-year increase was 4.2%, up from the 3.7% reported in June.

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Consumer Price Index

July 1986

National Highlights

The all-items Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Canada advanced by 0.8% between June and July attaining a level of 132.9 (1981=100). The increase in July follows a moderate 0.2% rise reported in June, and represents the sharpest unadjusted monthly increase posted by the CPI since June 1983. The combined effect of increases in six of the major component indexes, offset marginally by a decline in the clothing index, contributed to the latest rise in the CPI. A large part of the overall increase was explained by advances in the transportation (1.9%), food (1.3%) and housing (0.4%) indexes.

Seasonally adjusted, the all-items index rose by 0.7%, compared to an increase of 0.1% reported in June.

The year-to-year increase in the CPI between July 1985 and July 1986 was 4.2%, up from the 3.7% observed in the 12-month period ending in June. However, the latest year-to-year increase did not depart significantly from the 4.0% average of the 12-month increases for the first six months of 1986. The compounded annual rate of change based on the seasonally adjusted levels over the latest three-month period (April to July) was 5.3%. This measure of current consumer price change rose sharply to return to levels observed in the early part of the year following four months of moderate increases.

Food

Between June and July, the food index advanced by 1.3%, a considerably faster rate than the 0.2% rise observed between May and June. Accelerated increases in both the index for food purchased from stores (1.4% compared to 0.1 in June) and that of food purchased from restaurants (0.9% compared to 0.3%) were noted.

The 1.4% increase in the index for food purchased from stores resulted largely from higher prices for pork products, chicken, cured,

prepared and ready-cooked meat, fresh fruit and fresh vegetables. Moderate increases were also reported in the price of sugar and selected dairy and bakery products. A sharp 8.4% rise in the pork index reflected a cyclical shortage of hogs for slaughter as well as some seasonal price increases. Higher chicken prices were partly due to seasonal increases in demand as well as to a termination of retail promotions observed mainly in Montreal and Quebec City, and perhaps some substitution effects resulting from the higher pork prices. The fresh fruit index rose due to increases for apples, pears and grapefruit although prices declined for bananas and oranges. The rise in the fresh vegetables index reflected considerable offsetting movements as the prices of potatoes rose 28.7% with the arrival on the market of new potatoes while the prices of green and salad-type vegetables fell (e.g. lettuce, down 29.0%).

Over the 12-month period, July 1985 to July 1986, the food index advanced by 4.5%, up significantly from the increase of 3.8% observed in the 12-month period ending in June. Increases of 4.3% and 4.9% respectively in the indexes for food purchased from stores and food purchased from restaurants accounted for the latest year-to-year rise in the food index.

All-items excluding Food

On a month-to-month basis, the all-items excluding food index climbed by 0.6% in July compared to the marginal 0.1% increase reported in June. The bulk of the increase was attributable to advances of 1.9% in the transportation index and 0.4% in the housing index. A decline of 0.3% in the clothing index had a marginal moderating effect.

A considerable part of the 1.9% increase in the transportation index came from higher air fares due principally to seasonal increases for both domestic and international flights. Vehicle insurance premiums also rose mainly in Quebec and Ontario. Higher charges for vehicle maintenance and repairs were also observed. Gasoline prices fell, on average, as the effect of sporadic "price wars" continued. (continued on page 3)

The Consumer Price Index and Major Components (Not Seasonally Adjusted), Canada
(1981 = 100)

	Indexes			Percentage change July 1986 from	
	July 1986	June 1986	July 1985	June 1986	July 1985
All-items	132.9	131.9	127.6	0.8	4.2
Food	127.6	126.0	122.1	1.3	4.5
All-items excluding food	134.4	133.6	129.1	0.6	4.1
Housing	133.0	132.5	129.1	0.4	3.0
Clothing	118.1	118.5	115.2	-0.3	2.5
Transportation	136.2	133.6	130.2	1.9	4.6
Health and personal care	133.0	132.3	126.7	0.5	5.0
Recreation, reading and education	130.2	130.1	124.4	0.1	4.7
Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages	174.4	173.2	158.5	0.7	10.0
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar expressed in cents, compared to 1981	75.2	75.8	78.4		
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1971 = 100	314.8				

Declines in gasoline taxes were also reported in four provinces: Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and British Columbia.

The rise of 0.4% in the housing index was attributable mainly to higher charges for rented and owned accommodation as well as to seasonally higher hotel and motel rates. Moderate price increases were also reported for selected household furnishings and equipment. In the rental accommodation component, above average rent increases were observed in Montreal, Toronto and some larger urban centres of south-western Ontario, as well as in Regina and Calgary. The rise in the owned accommodation index resulted mainly from higher prices for new homes (which have risen sharply in Toronto and area) and for home maintenance and repairs.

A 0.7% increase in the tobacco products and alcoholic beverages index was due principally to a rise in cigarette prices, as increases in cigarette taxes were reported in Prince Edward Island and price increases by one major manufacturer were noted. The health and personal care index was up by 0.5% reflecting higher prices for personal care supplies, eye care and non-prescribed medicines. Increases in admission charges to live sports events largely

explained the 0.1% increase in the recreation, reading and education index.

The clothing index fell by 0.3% following a decline of 0.2% in June. The latest fall was the net result of increased sales activity only partially offset by a return to regular price levels for some items.

Over the 12-month period, July 1985 to July 1986, the all-items excluding food index increased by 4.1%, up noticeably from the rise of 3.6% reported in the previous 12-month period ending in June.

Goods and Services

The goods index increased by 0.5% in July while the services index escalated by a sharp 1.1%. These changes contrasted with the moderate 0.1% rise recorded for each of these indexes in the previous month. Over the 12-month period, July 1985 to July 1986, the goods index rose by 3.0% while the services index advanced by 5.6%.

City Highlights

Between June and July, changes in the all-items indexes for cities for which CPIs are published ranged from no change reported in (continued on page 4)

Saint John to 1.0% observed in Toronto. The lower than average movement in the Saint John CPI resulted mainly from a sharp decline in transportation charges and a relatively smaller increase in its housing index. The main factor in the Toronto CPI was a greater than average increase in its transportation index.

Between July 1985 and July, 1986 the all-items indexes for cities varied from a low of 1.3% in Charlottetown/Summerside to a high of 5.1% in Toronto.

Main Contributors to Monthly Changes in the All-items Index, by City

St. John's

Among the main contributors to the 0.6% rise in the all-items index were higher air fares, increased traveller accommodation costs and higher overall food prices, especially for pork, fresh produce and restaurant meals. Higher cigarette prices were also observed. Partly offsetting these advances were decreased charges for owned accommodation and lower prices for gasoline and clothing. Since July 1985, the all-items index has risen 2.8%.

Charlottetown/Summerside

The all-items index rose 0.9%, largely due to higher air fares, increased electricity charges (reflecting the discontinued provincial government rebate) and higher prices for cigarettes (due, in part, to an increase in provincial taxes). The food index advanced slightly, mainly as a result of higher prices for pork, fresh produce and restaurant meals. Increased shelter charges were also observed, especially for traveller accommodation. Partly offsetting these advances were lower prices for clothing, gasoline and household furnishings. Since July 1985, the all-items index has risen 1.3%.

Halifax

The 0.5% rise in the all-items index was largely explained by higher air fares, increased traveller accommodation charges and higher food prices (especially for pork and fresh produce). Advances were also noted in charges for vehicle maintenance and repairs and in the cost of eye care and personal care supplies. Declines were observed in the cost of owned

accommodation and in the price of women's wear. Between July 1985 and July 1986, the all-items index has risen 3.0%.

Saint John

No overall change was recorded in the all-items index due to a number of offsetting price movements. Among those factors exerting an upward influence were increased charges for traveller accommodation, higher costs for household furnishings and equipment, higher cigarette prices and increased air fares. The cost of eye care and selected women's wear items also advanced. Food prices were up on average, as higher prices for beef, pork, chicken, cured meats, fresh produce and restaurant meals more than offset lower prices for prepared meats, dairy products, eggs and bread. Lower gasoline prices, which followed the reduction of provincial taxes, lower household operating expenses and a decline in the cost of personal care supplies, exerted a downward impact. Since July 1985, the all-items index has risen 2.6%.

Quebec City

Higher food prices (especially for beef, pork, chicken, dairy products, bread and fresh produce), increased shelter charges (notably for traveller accommodation) and higher air fares largely explained the 0.9% rise in the all-items index. Advances were also noted in the cost of household furnishings, vehicle maintenance and repairs, women's wear and cigarettes. Between July 1985 and July 1986, the all-items index rose 4.5%.

Montreal

The all-items index rose 0.9%, mainly due to higher food prices and increased transportation costs. Within the food component, higher prices were observed for pork, chicken, cured and prepared meats, dairy products, eggs, bread, fresh produce and restaurant meals. The transportation component advanced because of higher air fares. Other notable increases were observed in the cost of rented, owned and traveller accommodation, in cigarette prices and in the cost of personal care supplies. Since July 1985, the all-items index has risen 4.6%.

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Ottawa

Higher food prices and increased air fares largely explained the 0.8% rise in the all-items index. Food prices rose, mainly as a result of higher prices for pork, poultry, bakery products, fresh produce and restaurant meals. Advances in cigarette prices, vehicle insurance premiums, admission charges to spectator sports and in rented and traveller accommodation costs also had a significant upward impact. Prices for household furnishings also increased. Since July 1985, the all-items index has risen 4.0%.

Toronto

Higher transportation costs (most notably for gasoline, vehicle insurance premiums and air fares), increased shelter charges and higher food prices accounted for most of the 1.0% rise in the all-items index. Within the food component, price increases were observed for beef, pork, chicken, cured meat, bakery products and fresh produce. Advances were also noted in cigarette prices and in the cost of personal care supplies. Clothing prices declined. Since July 1985, The all-items index has risen 5.1%.

Thunder Bay

Higher transportation costs (most notably for vehicle insurance premiums and air fares, offset somewhat by lower gasoline prices) accounted for most of the 0.4% rise in the all-items index. Higher food prices also exerted a significant upward effect, as increased prices for beef, pork, poultry and fresh vegetables more than offset lower prices for cured and prepared meats, butter, bread, cereal products, fresh fruit and soft drinks. Higher cigarette prices and increased costs for traveller accommodation, eye care and non-prescribed medicines were also observed. Owned accommodation charges declined, as did prices for furniture and men's wear. Since July 1985, the all-items index has risen 3.4%.

Winnipeg

Advances in air fares, vehicle repair charges, traveller accommodation costs and cigarette prices were among the main contributors to the 0.6% rise in the all-items index. Higher food prices, most notably for pork, fresh produce and restaurant meals, also exerted a significant

upward impact. Advances were also observed in charges for non-prescribed medicine, eye care and personal care supplies. Since July 1985, the all-items index has risen 4.1%.

Regina

Main contributors to the 0.7% rise in the all-items index were higher food prices, increased charges for natural gas and higher costs for rented and traveller accommodation. The food index advanced due to higher prices for beef, pork, fresh produce and restaurant meals. Increases in the cost of eye care, admission charges to football events and in cigarette prices were also noted. Gasoline prices declined. Since July 1985, the all-items index has risen 1.9%.

Saskatoon

The all-items index rose 0.9%, mainly reflecting increased costs for natural gas, higher air fares, increased rented and traveller accommodation charges and higher costs for household furnishings and equipment. Food prices were up, due mainly to higher prices for beef, pork, fresh produce and restaurant meals. Cigarette prices also advanced. Since July 1985, the all-items index has risen 4.0%.

Edmonton

The all-items index rose 0.7%. Among the main contributors were increased air fares, higher shelter charges (for rented and traveller accommodation) and higher overall food prices (most notably for beef, pork, chicken, cured meats and fresh vegetables). Advances were also observed in household furnishing and equipment costs, in vehicle maintenance and repair charges, in cigarette prices and in charges relating to eye care. Admission charges to football also advanced. Clothing prices declined slightly, mainly due to lower prices for women's wear. Between July 1985 and July 1986, the all-items index rose 3.5%.

Calgary

Higher air fares, increased charges for rented and traveller accommodation, and higher overall food prices (most notably for beef, pork, chicken, fresh vegetables and restaurant meals) largely explained the 0.8% rise in the (continued on page 6)

all-items index. Advances were also noted in cigarette prices, and certain recreational costs. Clothing prices (mainly for women's wear) and owned accommodation charges declined, as did the cost of natural gas (due to an increase in the Alberta tax rebate). From July 1985 to July 1986, the all-items index has risen 3.5%.

Vancouver

Higher food prices, increased housing charges and higher transportation costs accounted for most of the 0.5% rise in the all-items index. Within the food component, higher prices were observed for pork, poultry, dairy products, bread and restaurant meals, offset somewhat by lower prices for fresh vegetables and soft drinks. The housing index advanced, reflecting higher charges for traveller accommodation, household furnishings and equipment and rent. Owned accommodation charges declined. The rise in the transportation component was mainly due to higher air fares and increased vehicle repair costs, partly offset by a decline in gasoline prices (resulting from reduced provincial taxes). Advances were also noted in the cost of cigarettes, personal care

supplies and newspapers. Prices for men's and women's wear declined. Since July 1985, the all-items index has risen 3.5%.

Victoria

The 0.8% rise in the all-items index was largely the result of higher gasoline prices, increased air fares and advances in certain housing costs, most notably for rented accommodation, traveller accommodation, and household furnishings and equipment. Food prices rose, on average, as higher prices for pork, chicken, cured and prepared meats and restaurant meals more than offset lower prices for beef, bakery products, fresh fruit and fresh vegetables. Clothing prices declined. Between July 1985 and July 1986, the all-items index advanced 1.8%.

(see tables on page 7 and 8)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1922-1940.

Order the July 1986 issue of *The Consumer Price Index* (62-001, \$8/\$80). Contact: Sandra Shadlock (613-990-9606), Prices Division.

Consumer Price Indexes for Urban Centres

The indexes in this table measure within each city the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.¹

	All-items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation	Health and personal care	Recreation, reading and education	Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages
St. John's								
July 1986 index	132.1	119.7	132.3	125.0	136.3	131.3	127.8	176.5
% change from June 1986	0.6	1.4	0.1	-1.0	1.9	-0.1	0.0	0.4
% change from July 1985	2.8	4.4	0.2	0.6	4.1	3.6	4.2	8.0
Charlottetown/Summerside								
July 1986 index	127.0	117.8	125.5	116.4	128.5	134.8	134.2	172.8
% change from June 1986	0.9	0.2	0.9	-0.5	1.5	0.6	0.2	4.7
% change from July 1985	1.3	2.8	-2.9	3.5	1.3	4.8	5.5	11.8
Halifax								
July 1986 index	131.9	117.9	134.3	115.5	135.1	138.3	136.0	176.7
% change from June 1986	0.5	1.1	0.1	-0.6	1.9	0.4	0.0	-0.1
% change from July 1985	3.0	3.3	1.1	-0.2	2.8	3.6	5.4	13.1
Saint John								
July 1986 index	131.9	122.8	135.8	115.9	131.5	128.5	134.8	177.7
% change from June 1986	0.0	0.9	0.1	0.2	-1.6	-0.4	0.0	0.5
% change from July 1985	2.6	2.8	0.2	2.7	4.0	1.1	4.9	9.0
Quebec City								
July 1986 index	134.7	129.7	137.5	119.5	134.6	132.9	123.1	179.3
% change from June 1986	0.9	2.2	0.4	0.3	1.3	0.1	-0.1	0.6
% change from July 1985	4.5	6.6	2.7	4.5	2.6	4.2	4.5	11.6
Montreal								
July 1986 index	134.6	129.8	135.3	118.4	138.9	132.8	127.3	181.6
% change from June 1986	0.9	2.2	0.3	0.4	1.4	0.8	0.1	0.5
% change from July 1985	4.6	6.5	2.7	4.0	2.9	6.0	4.8	13.0
Ottawa								
July 1986 index	134.0	124.7	138.1	119.2	139.6	132.8	128.1	170.3
% change from June 1986	0.8	1.4	0.4	-0.2	2.0	0.5	0.0	0.9
% change from July 1985	4.0	4.4	2.4	3.4	6.7	2.4	4.3	8.6
Toronto								
July 1986 index	135.3	131.3	135.0	120.4	141.1	135.9	130.9	173.5
% change from June 1986	1.0	1.4	0.5	-0.7	3.1	0.9	0.2	1.0
% change from July 1985	5.1	3.7	4.2	2.4	9.2	6.8	4.4	9.0
Thunder Bay								
July 1986 index	132.8	126.5	133.8	117.2	136.1	135.4	128.6	166.0
% change from June 1986	0.4	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	1.4	0.3	0.0	0.9
% change from July 1985	3.4	3.0	2.2	2.1	4.7	4.3	4.3	7.3
Winnipeg								
July 1986 index	131.2	119.8	134.6	117.7	132.1	128.3	132.3	180.6
% change from June 1986	0.6	0.7	0.1	-0.1	2.2	0.8	0.1	0.8
% change from July 1985	4.1	3.1	3.3	2.9	4.4	3.9	4.8	11.9

Consumer Price Indexes for Urban Centres (continued)

The indexes in this table measure within each city the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.¹

	All-items	Food	Housing	Clothing	Transportation	Health and personal care	Recreation, reading and education	Tobacco products and alcoholic beverages
Regina								
July 1986 index	128.6	116.0	134.6	114.2	123.8	135.6	129.0	167.6
% change from June 1986	0.7	0.9	0.8	-0.2	0.8	-0.1	0.1	0.8
% change from July 1985	1.9	-4.2	3.8	-1.7	0.6	3.0	4.3	10.0
Saskatoon								
July 1986 index	129.6	117.4	132.9	118.7	129.0	129.7	131.9	164.4
% change from June 1986	0.9	1.0	0.8	-0.1	2.3	-0.2	0.1	0.4
% change from July 1985	4.0	2.1	4.6	-0.8	3.8	1.5	6.3	9.7
Edmonton								
July 1986 index	129.2	128.7	123.3	116.1	135.6	135.2	128.5	175.8
% change from June 1986	0.7	0.7	0.3	-0.3	2.3	0.2	0.2	0.5
% change from July 1985	3.5	4.2	2.3	2.1	4.4	3.9	3.0	8.5
Calgary								
July 1986 index	128.6	126.7	123.0	112.2	138.9	137.9	128.5	171.5
% change from June 1986	0.8	1.0	0.1	-0.3	3.7	0.1	0.3	0.4
% change from July 1985	3.5	3.9	2.5	1.6	4.2	3.8	3.8	8.9
Vancouver								
July 1986 index	130.0	127.4	125.3	118.6	135.8	129.3	137.1	162.4
% change from June 1986	0.5	1.2	0.2	-0.8	1.7	0.6	-0.3	0.2
% change from July 1985	3.5	4.9	2.4	1.3	2.2	3.2	5.5	8.6
Victoria²								
July 1986 index	104.2	106.3	101.0	102.4	103.1	104.2	107.4	117.6
% change from June 1986	0.8	0.6	0.4	-0.9	3.5	0.0	0.6	0.0
% change from July 1985	1.8	3.0	-0.1	1.0	0.2	3.1	5.1	8.0

¹ For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials, refer to Table 24 of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes (62-010, \$15.00/\$60.00).

² December 1984 = 100.

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Highway Construction Price Indexes

1985

Highway construction prices rose 1.6% in fiscal year 1985, the smallest annual increase since 1968.

In general, three patterns of price change can be observed. From Newfoundland to Ontario, the annual index changes are the smallest observed since 1981 and varied from 4.3% to -2.3%. In the Prairies price change has fluctuated from strong increases to modest decreases since 1981; the increases in fiscal year 1985 tended to be stronger than usual and varied from 14.3% for Manitoba to 5.6% for Saskatchewan. In British Columbia, the sharp decline of 16.9% in 1984 attenuated to a lesser decline of 5.1% in 1985.

Contractors' bid prices rose 1.3% in total with grading up 1.8%, granular base courses up 4.6% and paving advancing 0.1% during the year.

Prices for materials supplied by provincial highway departments to contractors also rose (2.9%) with the largest increase in Saskatchewan (11.2%).

Available on CANSIM: matrix 120.

Order the second quarter issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in August 1986 or contact Information Service (613-990-9606/07), Prices Division.

Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns

June 1986

Restaurant, caterer and tavern receipts totalled \$1,159.1 million for June 1986, an increase of 11.2% over the \$1,042.3 million reported for the same period last year.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 52.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns* (63-011, \$5/\$50), available in approximately two weeks time. Contact: R. Lasnier (613-991-3489), Services Division.

Airport Activity Statistics: Scheduled Services

October 1985

Airport activity data indicate that over 3.3 million passengers travelling on scheduled services enplaned and deplaned at the top 10 Canadian airports during October 1985, an increase of 2.9% over October 1984. The top 10 airports recorded considerable fluctuations in traffic volumes for October 1985 compared to 1984; variations ranged from -1.2% at Mirabel International to 12.1% at Halifax International. Eight airports showed gains in traffic.

Order the *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* Vol. 18, No. 8 (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), available the second week of September, or contact K. Davidson (819-997-1386), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation Division.

Production of Soft Drinks

July 1986

Soft drink production for July 1986 was estimated at 2 212 151 hectolitres an increase of 5.4% from 2 097 840 hectolitres (revised figure) a year earlier.

Year-to-date production was estimated at 12 406 901 hectolitres, compared to the corresponding 1985 amount of 11 314 196 hectolitres. These data are based on carbon dioxide usage.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 196.

Order the July 1986 issue of *Monthly Production of Soft Drinks* (32-001, \$2/\$20) to be released the last week of August. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

June 1986

Factory shipments of steel wire and specified wire products for June 1986 are now available. Production and export market data for selected commodities are also available.

Factory shipments of steel wire and specified wire products totalled 60 395 tonnes in June 1986, a decrease of 9.9% from the previous month.

Year-to-date shipments of steel wire and specified wire products totalled 359 024 tonnes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 122 (series 19).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products* (41-006, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 20. Contact: Michel Cormier (613-991-3522), Industry Division.

Exports of Wheat Flour and Barley Malt

June 1986

Customs exports of wheat flour and barley malt during June 1986 were as follows, (in thousand tonnes):

● Wheat flour,	11.8
● Malt,	14.7

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5612, series 1, and 5613.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release in mid-September, or contact Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Statistics Canada, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or Anthony Dupuis (613-991-3860), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0T6.

Footwear Statistics

June 1986

Canadian manufacturers produced 3,942,792 pairs of footwear in June 1986, a decrease of 3.7% from the 4,095,305 pairs produced a year earlier.

Year-to-date production for the January to June 1986 period totalled 22,846,298 pairs of footwear, up from 22,539,672 pairs produced during the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 8.

Order the June issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 18, 1986. Contact: T. Raj Sehdev (613-991-3510), Industry Division.

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Statistics, June 1986**
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- Labour market conditions for students intending to return to school in the fall have improved significantly this summer

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Major Release

Labour Market Activity of Students During the Summer Vacation

July 1986

Every summer, Canadian labour markets absorb over one million students who intend to return to school in the fall. These students account for approximately 9% of total employment in July.

Last month, the percentage of students in the labour force and the percentage who had actually obtained jobs were 71.5% and 62.0% respectively, the highest July rates recorded since data on returning students were first collected in 1977.

The summer labour market picture for students has improved considerably since the recession, with the student unemployment rate dropping from 19.3% in July 1982 to 13.3% in July 1986. The percentage with jobs (the employment/population ratio) has risen almost 10 percentage points over the same four-year period to reach 62.0% in July 1986.

This progress in labour market conditions for students probably reflects a combination of factors including an improved economic climate, changing demographics – that is, a decreasing population of 15-24 year olds – and the impact of federal and provincial government job creation programs geared towards student employment.

The July issue of *The Labour Force* contains an article entitled "Labour Market Activity of Students During the Summer Vacation: July 1986". The article examines summer student involvement in the labour force using data obtained from supplementary Labour Force Survey questions asked during the months of May to September.

Order the July 1986 issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, \$20/\$200), available today. Contact: Doreen Duchesne (613-991-6893), Labour and Household Surveys Analysis Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Oils and Fats

June 1986

Production by Canadian manufacturers of all types of deodorized oils in June 1986 totalled 47 346 tonnes, a decrease of 7.7% from the 51 284 tonnes produced in May 1986. The 1986 cumulative year-to-date production totalled 285 043 tonnes, down 5.6% from the corresponding 1985 figure of 301 935 tonnes.

Manufacturers' packaged sales of shortening totalled 8 192 tonnes in June 1986, down from the 9 974 tonnes sold the previous month. The cumulative sales to date in 1986 were 46 500 tonnes, compared to the cumulative sales of 48 602 tonnes in 1985. Sales of packaged salad oil increased to 6 917 tonnes in June 1986 from 4 002 tonnes in May. The cumulative sales to date in 1986 were 29 658 tonnes, compared to the cumulative sales of 33 707 tonnes in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 184.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of August 18 1986. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Oilseed Crashings

July 1986

Domestic crashings of vegetable oilseeds and the subsequent production of oil and meal for the latest periods were as follows:

- Canola-rapeseed, July 1986: 102 038 tonnes of crashings, with 42 512 tonnes of oil and 55 778 tonnes of meal produced.

- Soybeans, July 1986: 55 241 tonnes of crashings, with 10 261 tonnes of oil and 42 305 tonnes of meal produced.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5687.

Order the July 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release September 25. Contact: Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/ Natural Resources Division, Statistics Canada, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or Glenn Lennox (613-991-3860), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Imports by Commodities

June 1986

Commodity-country import trade statistics for June 1986 are now available on microfiche, computer printouts or magnetic tapes in advance of the monthly publication.

Available on CANSIM (for selected information): matrices 3652-3678 and 3718.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Imports by Commodities* (65-007, \$50/\$500), available the first week of September. Contact: G. L. Blaney (613-990-9647), International Trade Division.

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Current Economic Indicators,

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(Canada: \$10/\$100; Other Countries: \$11/\$110)

Footwear Statistics, June 1986

Catalogue number 33-002

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The Labour Force, July 1986

Catalogue number 71-001

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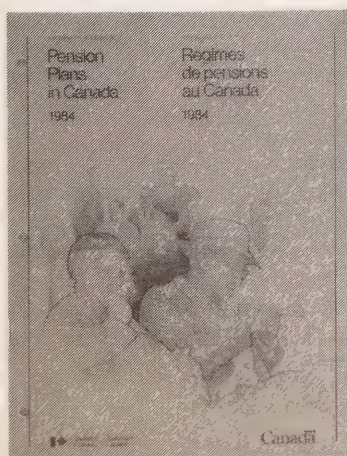
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Pension Plans in Canada, 1984

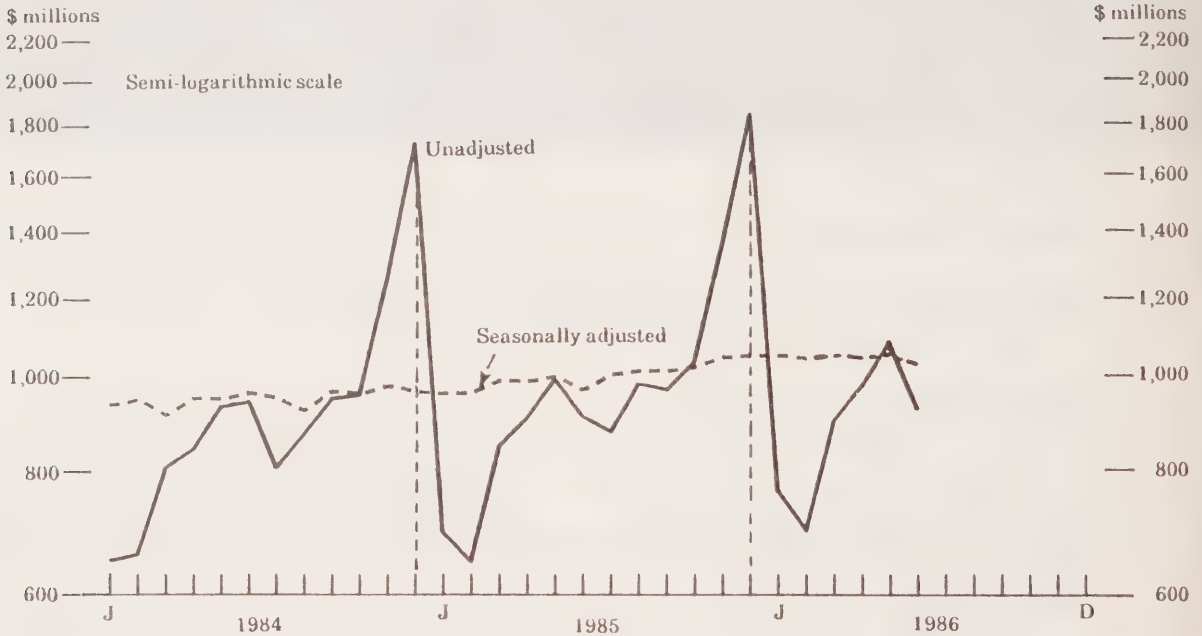
Pension Plans in Canada, 1984 includes data for all occupational pension plans sponsored by employers in Canada.

The report examines the terms and conditions of these plans in historical context and covers such characteristics as vesting, contribution rates, benefit formulae, eligibility requirements, integration with the Canada and Quebec Pension Plans, retirement ages, pension indexing, contributions paid by employers and employees, number of pensioners and amounts of benefits paid under these plans. Also included are data on RRSPs.

Order *Pension Plans in Canada 1984* (74-401, \$50), available today. Contact: Jessica Dunn or Diane Galarneau (613-990-9900), Pensions Section, Labour Division.

Major Releases

Department Store Sales, by Month, Unadjusted and Seasonally Adjusted, Canada, 1984-1986



Department Store Sales and Stocks June 1986

Seasonally Adjusted Data

- Adjusted for seasonal fluctuations and the number of trading days, department store sales totalled \$1,038 million (not adjusted for price change) in June 1986, a significant decrease of 2.2% from the previous month's revised total of \$1,061 million. The June decrease follows a 0.4% increase in May and a 0.3% decrease in April. The decrease in June was broadly based as 32 of the 40 departments reported lower sales.
- In terms of recent trends, department store sales rose marginally in the first half of 1986, with an average monthly gain of 0.1%. This marks a significant reduction, however, from the 1.2% average monthly increase recorded in the last six months of 1985.

- Seasonally adjusted department store stocks (at selling value) totalled \$3,901 million at the end of June, down 8.5% from the May 1986 revised value of \$4,264 million. This was the first monthly decline in department store stocks since June 1985.
- The inventories to sales ratio stood at 3.76:1 in June 1986, down from the average ratio of 3.95:1 observed in the first five months of the year, but still higher than the ratios recorded in 1985 which averaged 3.49:1.

Unadjusted Data

- Department stores in Canada reported sales totalling \$939 million in June 1986, up 3.5% over the June 1985 level of \$907 million. Cumulative sales for the period January to June 1986 totalled \$5,358 million, up 7.3% over the corresponding period in 1985.

- Six provinces posted gains in June 1986 over the corresponding month in 1985, with increases ranging from 7.4% in British Columbia to 0.7% in Manitoba. Declines were recorded in Newfoundland (-3.5%), Nova Scotia (-2.2%), New Brunswick (-1.2%) and Quebec (-0.7%). Sales rose in seven of the 10 metropolitan areas surveyed.
- Sales by major department stores in June 1986 reached \$565 million, up 2.7% from the corresponding month a year earlier, while junior department stores had sales of \$374 million, up 4.8% over the same period last year.

- Unadjusted department store stocks at month-end totalled \$3,644 million, up 13.3% over the level reached in June 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 112

Order the June 1986 issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, \$13/\$130) available the second week of October 1986. Contact: Lina Di Pietro (613-991-3551) or Maurice Massaad (613 990-9682), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Building Permits

May 1986

The seasonally adjusted value of building permits issued by Canadian municipalities in May decreased slightly (-1.3%) to \$1,945.2 million from \$1,970.2 million in April. This fall is entirely attributable to the residential sector.

The seasonally adjusted value of residential permits declined moderately (-3.8%) to \$1,085.6 million from \$1,128.1 million. In spite of this decline levels of intentions recorded in both single and multi-family dwelling sectors remained at high levels in May. On a seasonally adjusted basis, 16,687 units were approved in May (9,331 single detached and 7,356 multiple dwellings), down 6.4% from 17,829 units authorized in April (9,704 single detached and 8,125 multiple dwellings). In annual terms, these approvals represent 200,300 units in May and 213,900 units in April. Only Ontario

recorded an increase in residential building permits in May.

The seasonally adjusted value of non-residential projects remained strong in May at \$859.6 million, up 2.1% from the previous month. Moderate increases were registered for the industrial (+4.0%) and governmental (+7.0%) components while the commercial component decreased slightly (-0.9%). Only the Atlantic provinces and Quebec recorded gains in May.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 129, 137, 443, 989-991, 994, 995 and 4073.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, \$20/\$200), scheduled for release the last week of August. Contact: Gaetan Lemay (613-990-9689), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division.

Building Permits Issued in Canada

(Millions of Dollars)

	Unadjusted				Adjusted				% change	
	May 1986	April 1986	May 1985	April 1985	May 1986	April 1986	May 1985	April 1985	May '86/ Avril '86	May '86/ May '85
Residential	1,463.2	1,518.5	1,262.7	1,092.0	1,085.6	1,128.1	913.7	828.6	-3.8	18.8
Industrial	146.5	149.4	141.5	309.9	153.2	147.3	135.0	294.9	4.0	13.5
Commercial	484.9	491.5	436.7	390.4	467.6	471.8	406.7	391.3	-0.9	15.0
Institutional and governmental	236.8	222.3	207.7	155.3	238.8	223.0	225.6	169.7	7.0	5.9
Total	2,331.4	2,381.7	2,048.6	1,947.6	1,945.2	1,970.2	1,681.0	1,684.5	-1.3	15.7

¹ Data include an estimate of late returns.

Data Availability Announcements

Tobacco Products

July 1986

Canadian tobacco products firms produced 2,378,502,000 cigarettes in July 1986, a 3.8% increase from the 2,291,184,000 cigarettes manufactured during the same period in 1985. Production for January to July 1986 totalled 31,752,762,000 cigarettes, down from 37,600,736,000 cigarettes for the corresponding period in 1985.

Domestic sales in July 1986 amounted to 4,316,044,000 cigarettes, a decrease of 1.5% from the July 1985 amount of 4,383,752,000 cigarettes. Year-to-date sales in 1986 totalled 30,779,619,000 cigarettes, down 5.1% from the 1985 cumulative amount of 32,429,377,000 cigarettes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 46.

Order the July 1986 issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, \$4/\$40) to be released the week of August 25. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

Steel Ingots

Week Ending August 16, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending August 16, 1986 totalled 228 578 tonnes, an increase of 5.0% from the preceding week's total of 217 635 tonnes but down 16.5% from the year-earlier level of 273 910 tonnes.

The cumulative total in 1986 was 8 837 654 tonnes, a decrease of 1.6% from 8 979 551 tonnes for the same period in 1985.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Railway Carloadings

Seven Days Ending August 7, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the seven days ending August 7, 1986 totalled 3.6 million tonnes, a decrease of 6.1% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 29 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release the week of September 8. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Shorn Wool Production

1986

Total sheep and lamb numbers in Canada at July 1, 1986 are estimated at 721,500, down 4% from 748,200 at July 1, 1985.

The 1986 Canadian wool clip is estimated at 1 220 800 kilograms, down 7% from last year at 1 310 800 kilograms.

The number of sheep shorn this year is estimated at 386,300, a decrease of 6% from last year at 409,700.

The 1986 average fleece weight for Canada is estimated at 7.1 kilograms, the same as last year.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1184-1186.

For further information order *Shorn Wool Production*, 1986 (23-204, \$10), available September 2. Contact: Bernard E. Rosien (613-991-2509), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Chemical and Petrochemical Plant Price Indexes

Second Quarter 1986

The Chemical and Petrochemical Plant Price Index (1981 = 100) reached a preliminary level of 125.3 in the second quarter of 1986, up 0.6% from the revised first quarter level of 124.6.

The machinery and equipment component climbed 0.8%: higher stainless steel prices again this quarter resulted in increases of 1.6% and 0.7% for fabricated equipment and piping, valves and fittings, respectively. Smaller increases were posted for process machinery (0.5%), process instruments and controls (0.1%), and electric equipment (0.2%); structural support, paint and insulation declined 0.4%. Construction labour and construction indirects components were unchanged. Increases were also posted for buildings (1.0%) and engineering, design and administration (0.7%).

On an annual basis, comparing the second quarter 1986 with the corresponding quarter of 1985, percentage changes ranged from a low of 0.9% for construction labour to a high of 3.7% for buildings.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 294.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in September 1986. Contact: Les Graham (613-990-9601), Capital Expenditures, Prices Division.

Chemical and Mineral Process Plant Price Indexes

Second Quarter 1986

The Chemical and Mineral Process Plant Price Index (1981 = 100) rose to a preliminary level of 125.2 in the second quarter of 1986, up 0.4% from the revised first quarter level of 124.7.

Advances of 1.0% for buildings and 0.7% for engineering, design and administration were moderated by a 0.3% increase in the heavily-weighted machinery and equipment component

and a 0.1% decrease in the field erection component. Within the machinery and equipment component, process machinery and pumps and compressors led the advances with increases of 0.6% and 0.5%, respectively. Lesser increases were recorded for fabricated equipment (0.4%), piping, valves and fittings (0.3%), process instruments and controls (0.1%), electric equipment (0.2%) and other utilities equipment (0.1%); structural support paint and insulation posted the only decrease (-0.3%). Static labour rates and a stronger Canadian dollar were responsible for the field erection decrease.

On an annual basis, comparing the second quarter of 1986 with the same quarter of 1985, the percentage changes for the major components ranged from a low of 1.0% for the field erection component to a high of 3.7% for the building component.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 291.

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in September 1986. Contact: Les Graham (613-990-9601), Capital Expenditures, Prices Division.

Electric Lamps

July 1986

Canadian light bulb and tube manufacturers sold 18,598,196 light bulbs and tubes in July 1986, a decrease of 7.2% from the 20,032,557 units sold a year earlier.

Year-to-date sales for 1986 amounted to 138,976,588 light bulbs and tubes, down 5.0% from the 146,229,998 sold during the January-July period in 1985.

Order the July 1986 issue of *Electric Lamps* (43-009, \$4/\$40), available the week of September 8. Contact: Aldo Diaz (613-991-3523), Industry Division.

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of Major Appliances, June 1986**
Catalogue number 43-010
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1986 Catalogue number 45-002**
(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

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Commercial and Small Power Service, 1986**
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(Canada: \$20; Other Countries: \$21)

**Industrial Corporations: Financial
Statistics, First Quarter 1986**
Catalogue number 61-003
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**Gross Domestic Product by Industry,
May 1986 Catalogue number 61-005**
(Canada: \$10/\$100; Other Countries: \$11/\$110)

**Index Numbers of Farm Prices
of Agricultural Products, June
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Non-residential Construction Output Price Indexes, Second Quarter 1986	6
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Capital Expenditures of Domestic and Foreign Controlled Establishments in Manufacturing, Mining and Forestry 1986

This report, based on projections of capital spending for 1986 from a survey taken in the latter part of 1985, focuses primarily upon the country of control aspect of capital spending in the manufacturing, mining and forestry sectors. These sectors account for 27% of the projected total capital expenditures in 1986. As well, the report presents concentration measures that profile the largest investments by the top four and eight firms regionally, industrially and by metropolitan area.

Order *Capital Expenditures of Domestic and Foreign Controlled Establishments in Manufacturing, Mining and Forestry, 1986* (61-215, \$15), available today. Contact: Margot Greenberg (613-991-3609), International and Financial Economics Division.

Major Releases

Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries July 1986

Compared to April 1986, the seasonally adjusted results of the July 1986 Business Conditions Survey indicate an improvement in the inflow of orders received by Canadian manufacturers. However, there are less positive signals concerning unfilled orders and inventories of finished goods on hand and for third quarter production prospects.

After adjusting for their size, the number of manufacturers that indicated rising **orders received** exceeded the corresponding number that cited declining orders by +3 percentage points. This balance of opinion was higher than the balance of -1 recorded for the April survey but lower than the balance of +6 for the January 1986 survey. Manufacturers representing 59% of total respondents' shipments reported little change in orders received.

In the latest survey, the difference between the proportions expecting a higher **volume of production** over the next three months and the proportion expecting lower production was +1 percentage point. This was lower than both the April 1986 balance of +5 and the 1985 average balance of +6.

The **backlog of unfilled orders** was reported to be about normal by manufacturers representing 73% of total respondents' output. The unfilled orders backlog was reported as higher than normal by 9% but lower than normal by 18%. The resulting negative balance of -9 was more pronounced than the negative

balances for the two previous surveys but was much less in magnitude than the eight negative balances recorded in the July 1981 to April 1983 surveys (see Chart 2).

Canadian manufacturers continued to be concerned about the level of **finished product inventories** with 25% reporting that they were too high. This is about the same level as recorded in the April survey but six percentage points higher than the 19% recorded in the January 1986 and October 1985 surveys. Only 4% reported that finished product inventory levels were too low.

Users should note that the net balance of opinion should be viewed in relation to the proportion of manufacturers reporting about the same, about normal or about right (the unchanged alternatives). Since 1982, this proportion has been generally increasing for most of the above mentioned variables. This suggests increasing confidence by manufacturers in recent years in relation to economic conditions.

Seasonal adjustment has been introduced with this release since most of the time series exhibit significant seasonal variations. As well, the April 1986 results have been revised to include responses received after the first release of these results.

(see table on page 3 and charts on page 4)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2843-2845.

Contact: T. Newton (613-991-3554), Shipments, Inventories and Orders Section, Industry Division.

Business Conditions Survey, Canadian Manufacturing Industries
July 1986

All manufacturing industries	July 1985	October 1985	January 1986	April 1986	July 1986
Volume of production during next three months compared with last three months will be					
About the same (s.a.)	51	49	44	47	45
Higher (s.a.)	28	31	26	29	28
Lower (s.a.)	21	20	30	24	27
Balance (s.a.)	7	11	-4	5	1
Balance (raw)	-5	8	-10	25	-11
Orders received are					
About the same (s.a.)	56	53	62	61	59
Rising (s.a.)	27	28	22	19	22
Declining(s.a.)	17	19	16	20	19
Balance (s.a.)	10	9	6	-1	3
Balance (raw)	8	5	4	7	1
Present backlog of unfilled orders is					
About normal (s.a.)	63	70	70	69	73
Higher than normal (s.a.)	16	12	14	13	9
Lower than normal (s.a.)	21	18	16	18	18
Balance (s.a.)	-5	-6	-2	-5	-9
Balance (raw)	-2	-6	-5	-5	-6
Finished product inventory on hand is					
About right (s.a.)	75	76	76	69	71
Too low (s.a.)	5	5	5	5	4
Too high ¹	20	19	19	26	25
Balance (s.a.)	-15	-14	-14	-21	-21
Balance (raw)	-15	-12	-15	-22	-21
Sources of production difficulties					
Working capital shortage (raw)	8	3	3	4	4
Skilled labour shortage (raw)	5	4	4	5	4
Unskilled labour shortage (raw)	0	1	0	0	0
Raw material shortage (raw)	5	3	3	4	4
Other difficulties (raw)	5	4	2	2	2
No difficulties (raw)	79	85	88	87	88

¹ No evident seasonality.

Note: Individual responses to the Business Conditions Survey are weighted by the value of the respondent's shipments reported to the annual Census of Manufactures. The proportions, therefore, reflect the magnitude of the individual manufacturer's contribution to the total. The balance is the difference between the proportion associated with the positive-type response (e.g., higher volume of production) and the proportion related to the negative-type response (e.g., lower volume of production). Both the raw data (raw) and seasonally adjusted (s.a.) data are given for the balance. The seasonally adjusted value for the neutral components (e.g., expected production about the same) is calculated by subtracting the sum of the seasonally adjusted values of the other two components from 100.

Chart 1

Balance of Opinion for Expected Volume of Production During Next Three Months Compared with Last Three Months

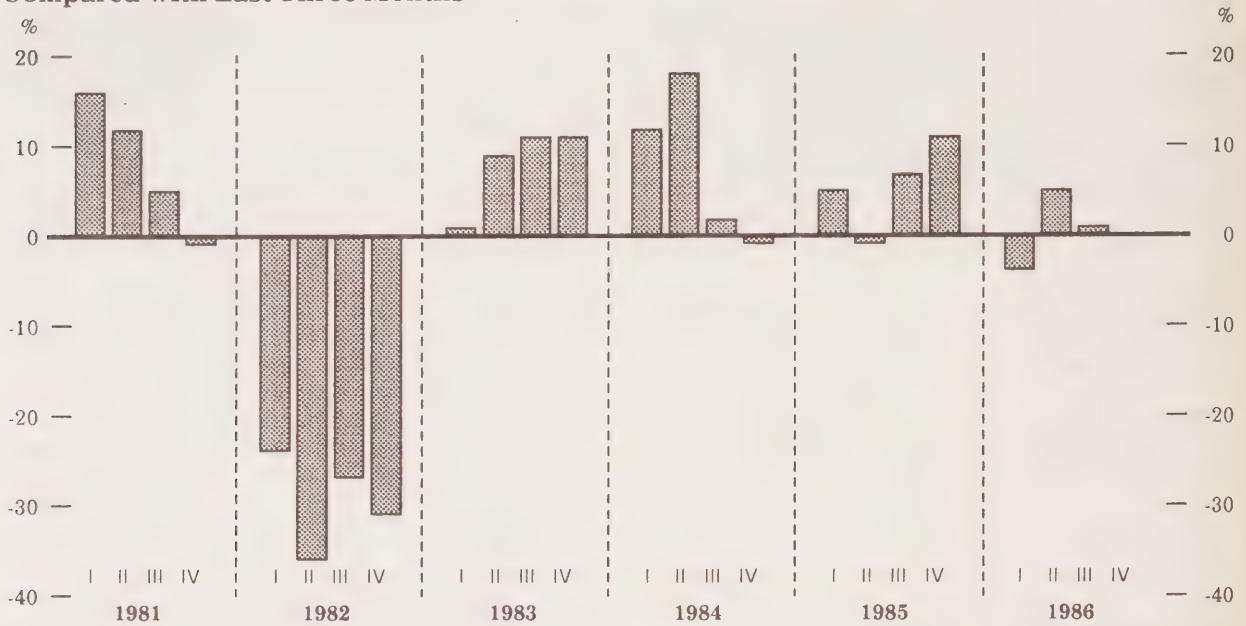
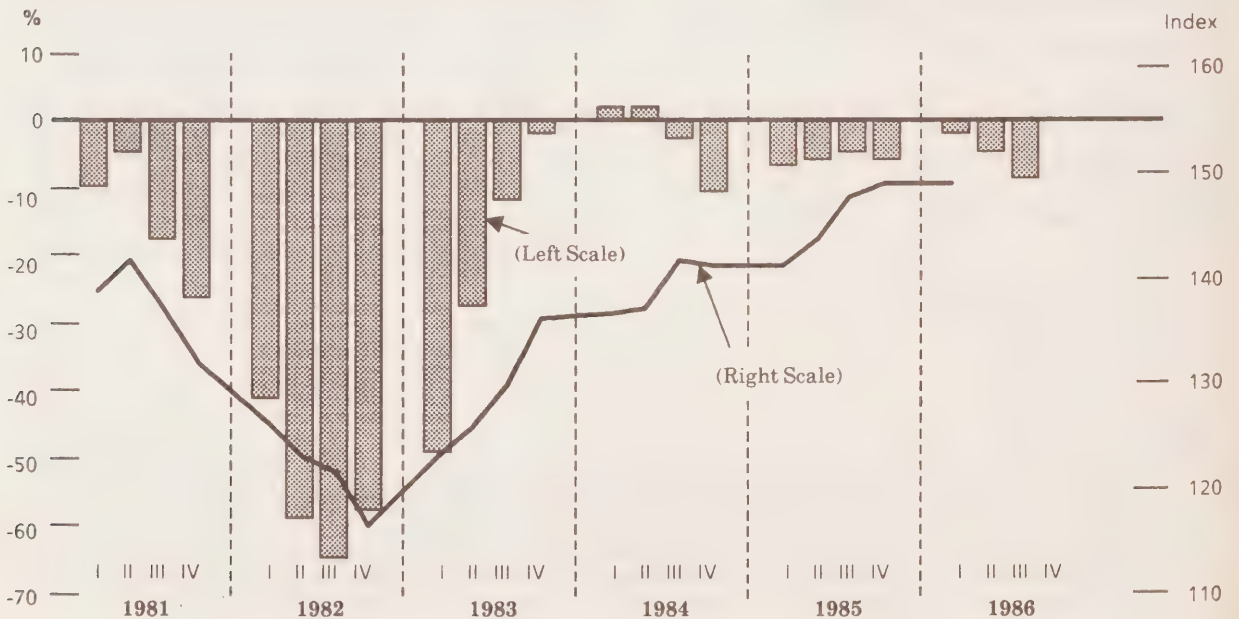


Chart 2

Comparison Between Balance of Opinion For Present Backlog of Unfilled Orders (Left Scale) and The Gross Domestic Product Constant Dollar Index (Right Scale) For All Manufacturing Industries, Adjusted For Seasonal Variation



International Travel Account

Second Quarter 1986

In the second quarter of 1986, preliminary estimates show that Canada incurred a deficit of \$282 million on the international travel account. The total is about half the level of the second quarter deficits recorded in each of the preceding three years.

This improvement was mainly due to a substantial decline in the travel account deficit with the United States, which registered its lowest second quarter level since 1975.

Total receipts from international travel increased by 23% or \$291 million over the second quarter of 1985 – a very strong increase by historical standards. It should be noted here that

a major development in the second quarter was the opening of Expo 86 in May.

Payments by Canadians travelling abroad advanced by only 1.3% or \$24 million over the second quarter of 1985, the smallest increase since 1980.

Revisions to the first quarter 1986 estimates are included in the accompanying table.

For further information, order the April-June issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, \$35/\$140), to be released the week of September 15. Contact: Paul L. Paradis (613-990-8932), International Travel Section, International and Financial Economics Division.

Receipts and Payments on International Travel

Second Quarter 1986

	1985					1986 ^p	
	QI	QII	QIII	Q.IV	Year	QI	QII
(million \$)							
United States							
Receipts	370	876	1,795	633	3,674	457	1,093
Payments	1,230	1,091	1,055	782	4,158	1,303	1,111
Balance	-860	-215	740	-149	-484	-846	-18
All other countries							
Receipts	148	380	576	228	1,332	194	454
Payments	728	714	925	585	2,952	834	718
Balance	-580	-334	-349	-357	-1,620	-640	-264
Total all countries							
Receipts	518	1,256	2,371	861	5,006	651	1,547
Payments	1,958	1,805	1,980	1,367	7,110	2,137	1,829
Balance	-1,440	-549	391	-506	-2,104	-1,486	-282

^p Preliminary estimates.

Non-residential Construction Output Price Indexes

Second Quarter 1986

The price index for non-residential construction, in the second quarter of 1986, rose by 1.5% from the previous quarter. This increase, the largest quarterly rise since the first quarter of 1982, was fuelled by strong price increases recorded in cities in Eastern and Central Canada, although the effects of these were somewhat diminished by declines in Alberta. Prices were up 4.2% from the second quarter of 1985.

Non-residential construction prices in Calgary and Edmonton, which had shown increases in the preceding two or three quarters, registered declines, possibly reflecting the pessimism which followed the drop in oil prices.

Vancouver is entering the post Expo 86 phase with some uncertainty of sufficient projects to keep the local construction industry occupied. In addition non-union labour continues to make inroads into the British Columbia construction scene and thus increases price competitiveness.

Toronto, with a reasonable amount of non-residential construction underway, also has a very active residential construction market, and this is adding upward pressure to prices of construction work in general.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 414 and 415.

Order the second quarter issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in September 1986. Contact the Prices Division (613-990-9608).

Output Price Indexes of Non-residential Construction

Second Quarter 1986

(1981 = 100)

Seven cities and composite indexes								
	Halifax	Montreal	Ottawa	Toronto	Calgary	Edmonton	Vancouver	Composite
Quarterly indexes								
Q2 1985	114.4	117.7	120.3	121.4	91.1	91.3	104.0	106.3
Q3 1985	115.6	118.5	121.6	123.0	91.0	91.8	105.0	107.3
Q4 1985	116.7	119.2	122.4	124.5	91.8	92.4	105.9	108.2
Q1 1986	118.2	121.2	123.2	125.6	92.4	92.3	106.6	109.2
Q2 1986	119.7	123.0	125.0	128.1	91.5	92.1	107.0	110.8
% change								
Q4'85/Q3'85	1.0	0.6	1.1	1.2	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.8
Q1'86/Q4'85	1.1	1.7	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.7	1.0
Q2'86/Q1'86	1.3	1.5	1.5	2.0	-1.0	-0.2	0.4	1.5
Q2'86/Q2'85	4.6	4.5	3.9	5.5	0.4	0.9	2.9	4.2

Data Availability Announcements

Stocks of Frozen Meats

August 1986

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of August amounted to 27 150 tonnes as compared with 29 301 tonnes last month and 37 452 tonnes a year ago.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 87 and 9517-9525.

For further information order the August issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release on September 8. Contact: P.L. Beerstecher (613-990-8714), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Publications Released

Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 5:
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in Manufacturing Industries, May
1986 Catalogue number 31-001**
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**Production, Shipments and Stocks on
Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies,
May 1986 Catalogue number 35-002**
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**Capital Expenditures of Domestic and
Foreign Controlled Establishments in
Manufacturing, Mining and Forestry,
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**Farm Input Price Index, Second
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Monday, August 25, 1986

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Major Release

Leading Indicator of Building Construction Activity

April 1986

The leading indicator of building construction activity in Canada (1981=100) increased by 1.3% in April to 98.6 from a revised index of 97.3 in March. Both the non-residential, and to a lesser extent, the residential sectors were responsible for the increase recorded by the total index, which has advanced continuously in 1986.

The filtered index of residential construction rose 1.0% in April to 110.7. Both the single dwelling sector and more particularly the multi-family dwelling sector were responsible for this increase. The trend-cycle of residential permits issued increased in Quebec and Ontario while it dropped in Western Canada and remained relatively stable in the Atlantic provinces.

The filtered index of non-residential construction (excluding engineering projects) moved up 1.9% to 85.9 in April from a revised index of 84.3 in March, and stood at its highest level since March 1982. Gains were recorded by both the public (+2.4%) and commercial (+1.8%) components while the industrial component continued to level off (+0.1%). The trend-cycle of non-residential permits issued rose in all regions except in Quebec, where the situation remained unchanged.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 80, level 9-15.

Order the May issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, \$20/200), scheduled for release the first week of September. Contact: Francine Monette (613-991-2583), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division.

Leading Indicator of Building Construction Activity in Canada (1981=100)

									% Variation	
	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Apr. 1985	Mar. 1985	Feb. 1985	Jan. 1985	Apr. '86/ Mar. '86	Apr. '86/ Apr. '85
Total index	98.6	97.3	96.0	94.8	84.1	81.5	78.9	76.6	1.3	17.2
Residential	110.7	109.6	108.5	107.5	88.2	84.4	81.1	78.3	1.0	25.5
Non-residential	85.9	84.3	82.8	81.5	79.9	78.4	76.6	74.9	1.9	7.5
Industrial	75.8	75.7	75.9	76.2	79.8	79.0	77.8	76.3	0.1	-5.0
Commercial	82.9	81.4	79.9	78.6	71.4	69.7	68.0	66.6	1.8	16.1
Public	99.3	97.0	94.7	92.9	95.2	94.1	92.5	90.8	2.4	4.3

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Deliveries of Major Grains

July 1986

Producer deliveries of major grains by Prairie farmers during July 1986 were as follows (in thousand tonnes):

● Wheat (excluding durum)	2 196.1;
● Durum wheat	87.6;
● Total Wheat	2 283.7;
● Oats	61.1;
● Barley	1 076.5;
● Rye	41.0;
● Flaxseed	77.8;
● Canola (rapeseed)	323.1.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 976-981.

Order the July 1986 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release in mid-September. Contact Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Statistics Canada, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or Anthony Dupuis (613-991-3860), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Selected Financial Indexes

July 1986

July 1986 figures are now available for the Selected Financial Indexes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 412.

Order the third quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in November 1986. Contact Information Service (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Publications Released

**Canned and Frozen Fruits
and Vegetables, March 1986**

Catalogue number 32-011

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

**Construction Type Plywood,
June 1986 Catalogue number 35-001**

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

**Railway Carloadings, June
1986 Catalogue number 52-001**

(Canada: \$7.50/\$75; Other Countries:
\$8.50/\$85)

**Passenger Bus and Urban
Transit Statistics, June 1986**

Catalogue number 53-003

(Canada: \$6.50/\$65; Other Countries:
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**Employment, Earnings
and Hours, May 1986**

Catalogue number 72-002

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Major Releases

Wholesale Trade

June 1986

Sales

Preliminary estimates show wholesale merchants' sales for June 1986 stood 12.7% above the June 1985 level. This year-over-year rise follows a moderate gain of 6.9% registered between May 1985 and May 1986. The June increase compares favourably with the 12.1% cumulative sales increase observed during the first six months of 1986 over the corresponding period in 1985.

In June 1986, all major trade groups registered increased sales from a year earlier. Those trade groups having a significant impact on the overall sales increase were wholesalers of "other machinery, equipment and supplies" (+14.2%), motor vehicles and accessories (+21.4%) and lumber and building materials (+19.1%).

Wholesale trade increases between June 1985 and June 1986 were posted in all regions, ranging from 17.6% in Ontario to 3.8% in the Atlantic provinces.

Inventories

Between June 1985 and June 1986, wholesale inventories went up by 9.2%. Since the beginning of 1986, significant increases in monthly inventories have been reported by wholesale merchants when compared with the corresponding months in 1985 - ranging from a high of 10.3% in May 1986 to a low of 8.2% in January 1986.

The ratio of inventories to sales at the end of June 1986 stood at 1.50:1, down from 1.55:1 recorded a year earlier. For the first six months of 1986, this ratio has averaged 1.62:1, down from the 1.66:1 registered for the corresponding period in 1985. The decline in the inventories to sales ratio for the first six months of this year is due in part to the larger increase registered by sales (+12.1%) as compared to inventories on hand (+9.0%).

(see table on page 3)

Available on CANSIM: matrix 44.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, \$5/\$50), available the second week of September. Contact: Gilles Berniquez (613-991-3537), Wholesale Trade Section, Industry Division.

Wholesale Trade

Percentage Change in Sales and Inventories for June 1986/1985

Major trade groups - Regions	Sales			Inventories		Stocks/Sales Ratios	
	May 1986/85 ^r	June 1986/85 ^p	Jan.-June 1986/85 ^p	May 1986/85 ^r	June 1986/85 ^p	June 1985 ^r	June 1986 ^p
Total all trades	6.9	12.7	12.1	10.3	9.2	1.55	1.50
Food	-2.3	1.5	2.4	5.5	1.1	0.74	0.74
Tobacco, drugs and toilet preparations	9.1	4.5	14.5	16.0	17.7	0.91	1.02
Apparel, dry goods, furniture and general merchandise	7.1	15.4	11.9	5.8	2.7	2.67	2.38
Motor vehicles and accessories	10.5	21.4	17.8	10.8	14.5	1.74	1.64
Farm machinery, equipment and supplies	16.2	33.3	17.7	-4.0	-3.3	3.87	2.81
Other machinery, equipment and supplies ¹	14.9	14.2	15.7	10.5	10.2	1.91	1.84
Metals, hardware, plumbing and heating equipment	-5.2	1.6	3.1	11.4	12.4	1.55	1.71
Lumber and building materials	18.8	19.1	23.7	21.1	17.4	1.42	1.40
Other wholesalers ²	1.7	13.7	10.3	16.0	9.8	1.28	1.24
Regions							
Atlantic provinces	0.5	3.8	2.1	4.1	4.9	1.32	1.33
Quebec	4.4	5.9	6.8	13.2	7.1	1.38	1.40
Ontario	11.8	17.6	17.3	11.2	11.7	1.53	1.45
Prairie provinces	0.6	13.8	8.8	6.8	7.3	2.08	1.96
B.C., Yukon and Northwest Territories	7.9	13.1	14.7	10.8	9.8	1.34	1.30

¹ Includes: electrical machinery, equipment and supplies; and machinery and equipment, n.e.s.

² Includes: farm products (excluding grain); paper and paper products; scrap and waste materials; and wholesalers, n.e.s.

^r Revised figures.

^p Preliminary figures.

Crude Oil and Natural Gas

May 1986

Highlights

- Preliminary figures indicate that production of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons in Canada amounted to 7 569.5 thousand cubic metres in May 1986, a 1.9% decrease from May 1985. On a cumulative basis, production stood at 36 471.1 thousand cubic metres, down 2.7% from the January-May 1985 period.
- Crude oil exports for the first five months in 1986 reached 13 630.4 thousand cubic metres, up 11.8% from the same period last year, while imports - at 7 148.6 thousand cubic metres - were up by 37.2%. (It should be noted that exports are primarily through pipeline systems, while imports are primarily by boat, a single arrival of which can materially influence the import data.)
- Marketable production of natural gas fell 8.1% between May 1986 and May 1985, while year-to-date production is off 7.0%. Sales in Canada, for both the current month and the year-to-date period, show little difference from last year's levels; export deliveries, however, are down 28.0% for the month and 24.3% for the January-May period.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 127 and 128.

Order the May 1986 issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, \$8/\$80), to be released the second week of September. Contact: G. O'Connor (613-991-3562), Industry Division.

Crude Oil and Natural Gas

	May 1986	% Change May 1986/ May 1985	Jan.-May 1986	% Change Jan.-May 1986/ Jan.-May 1985
(thousands of cubic metres)				
Crude Oil and Equivalent				
Production	7 569.5	-1.9	36 471.1	-2.7
Exports	3 243.3	28.2	13 630.4	11.8
Imports	1 358.6	-8.3	7 148.6	37.2
Refinery Receipts	5 862.5	-12.6	30 275.0	-1.5
(millions of cubic metres)				
Natural Gas				
Marketable Production	5 217.7	-8.1	32 177.6	-7.0
Exports	1 454.7	-28.0	9 144.2	-24.3
Canadian Sales	3 220.3	1.0	24 886.8	-0.4

Construction Union Wage Rate Index

July 1986

The estimate of the July union wage rate index for construction trades (1981=100) remained unchanged from June's level of 132.4. This marks a continuation of a pattern established early in 1984 with the result that in 24 of the 31 previous months there were no changes in rates. At 0.2%, the year-over-year change was among the lowest observed since 1962, when the index was first established.

Rates are also presented here for selected trades and cities. These include bricklayers for Edmonton – one of the few collective agreement rates available for Alberta. (Although cities in Alberta and Saskatchewan are no longer included in the total index, any available collective agreement rates are entered into the rate data base.)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 400-405, 956 and 958.

Order the third quarter issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in November. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Union Wage Rates for Construction¹

July 1986

	Trades					
	Cement finisher		Bricklayer		Plasterer	
	B	B and S	B	B and S	B	B and S
	(in dollars)					
St. John's	16.34	18.92	16.34	19.02	16.34	18.92
Halifax	18.00	20.72	18.00	20.72	15.00	16.55
Saint John	15.40	17.89	15.40	17.89	15.40	17.89
Montreal	15.79	18.18	17.28	19.83	16.63	19.10
Ottawa	16.55	19.46	18.39	21.13	16.13	18.87
Toronto	16.13	20.11	18.69	22.50	16.36	20.37
Thunder Bay	15.26	19.16	18.13	21.31	16.10	20.05
Winnipeg	15.00	17.10	17.25	19.49	16.40	18.29
Edmonton			14.25	16.57		
Vancouver	18.25	23.33	19.19	23.98	20.26	23.80

¹ Rates are available for other trades and other cities.

B = Basic rate.

B and S = Basic rate and selected pay supplements: vacation pay, statutory holiday pay, employer's contribution to health and welfare and pension plans.

Data Availability Announcements

Mineral Wool

July 1986

Manufacturers shipped 7 319 076 square metres of mineral wool (all R factors) in batts in July 1986, up 30.1% from the 5 625 669 square metres shipped a year earlier and up 3.6% from the 7 065 037 square metres shipped the previous month.

Year-to-date shipments to the end of July 1986 were 46 395 737 square metres, an increase of 1.1% from the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 40 and 122 (series 32 and 33).

Order the July 1986 issue of *Mineral Wool including Fibrous Glass Insulation* (44-004, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of September 8. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.

Notifiable Disease Summary

Period Ending August 2, 1986

Statistics and new cases of notifiable diseases for the four week period ending August 2, 1986 are now available by sex and five-year age group for Canada and the provinces.

Available on CANSIM: cross-classified table 00050123.

Contact: Leslie Gaudette (613-991-1769), Health Division.

Publications Released

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products,
June 1986 Catalogue number 41-006
(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Railway Carloadings, 10-day Period Ending
July 31, 1986 Catalogue number 52-005
(Canada: \$75; Other Countries: \$100)

Culture Communiqué, Vol. 9, No. 6: Survey
of Dancers and Choreographers, Prelimi-
nary Results, 1984 Catalogue number 87-001
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| Unemployment Insurance Statistics, June 1986 | 2 |
| ● The number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits remained virtually unchanged (on a seasonally adjusted basis) from May | |
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Major Release

Unemployment Insurance Statistics June 1986

Seasonally Adjusted Data

For the week ending June 21, 1986 preliminary estimates show that the number of beneficiaries receiving regular unemployment insurance benefits totalled 963,000 – down slightly by 0.3% from a month earlier. The number of beneficiaries has been declining almost continuously since November 1984, when it stood at 1,077,000.

Between May and June 1986, decreases were observed in the Northwest Territories (-3.5%), the Yukon (-3.1%) and Manitoba (-2.8%). The remaining provinces showed little or no change.

Data Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation

The total number of beneficiaries¹ in June 1986 stood at 965,000 – down 10.6% from May 1986 and down 6.4% from June 1985. By sex, 53.4% of the beneficiaries were male and 46.6% were female. The number of males decreased in June 1986 to 516,000, down 16.3% from May while the number of female beneficiaries declined 3.1% to 450,000.

Benefits paid during June 1986 totalled \$777 million¹, a decrease of 8.5% from May 1986 but an increase of 8.8% from June 1985. (Decreases in benefit payments are commonly observed between May and June.) Disbursements for the first half of 1986 amounted to \$5,756 million, 0.6% less than was paid during the same period in 1985. The change in the year-to-date payments is the result of a 5.9% decrease in the number of benefit weeks (to 31.92 million from 33.92 million) which was partly offset by a 5.6% increase in the average weekly benefit (to \$180.53 from \$170.91).

A total of 234,000 claims were received for unemployment insurance benefits during June 1986, an increase of 5.8% from the previous month and an advance of 10.4% over June 1985. Between January and June 1986 a total of 1.53 million claims were received, 0.5% fewer than during the same period last year. (see table on page 3)

¹ *The count of beneficiaries cannot be directly related to the benefit payments made during any one month. Whereas the latter figure covers all disbursements during a month, the count of beneficiaries represents the number of persons who qualified for benefits during a specific week of a month. The number of days available during a month to process claims and pay benefits influences the levels and trends of the benefits and claims data. The beneficiaries count is not affected since it relates to a single week. In making short term comparisons it is not uncommon to observe different trends between the beneficiaries and the other data series.*

Available on CANSIM: matrices 26 (series 1.6) and 5700-5717.

Data for the months of April, May and June 1986 will be published in the June 1986 issue of *Unemployment Insurance Statistics* (73-001, \$12/\$120), available at the beginning of September. Contact: H. Stiebert or J.-P. Maynard (613-990-9900), Labour Division.

Unemployment Insurance Statistics

	June 1986	May 1986	April 1986	June 1985	% change from	
					May 1986	June 1985
Benefits¹						
Amount paid (\$000)	777,148	848,933	1,086,642	714,272	-8.5	8.8
Weeks of benefit (000)	4,352	4,723	6,008	4,255	-7.9	2.3
Average weekly benefit (\$)	178.43	179.78	181.07	167.59	-0.8	6.5
Claims received (000)	234	221	267	212	5.8	10.4
Beneficiaries² (000)						
Total	965 ^p	1,080 ^p	1,209 ^r	1,031 ^r	-10.6	-6.4
Regular benefits	863 ^p	957 ^p	1,074 ^r	921 ^r	-9.8	-6.2
Regular benefits - Seasonally adjusted	963 ^p	965 ^p	951 ^r	1,016 ^r	-0.3	

January to June		% change
1986	1985	
		1986/1985

Benefits¹			
Amount paid (\$000)	5,755,947	5,790,399	-0.6
Weeks of benefit (000)	31,915	33,922	-5.9
Average weekly benefit (\$)	180.53	170.91	5.6
Claims received (000)	1,533	1,540	-0.5
Beneficiaries - Year-to-date average² (000)	1,182^p	1,278^r	-7.6

¹ Amount paid and weeks of benefit include work sharing and job creation. However, average weekly benefit excludes these amounts in order to maintain comparability with previous data.

² The beneficiaries include all claimants who receive benefits through the computer pay system. Excluded are year-round fishermen, a few seasonal fishermen and a small number of work sharing and job creation claimants who are paid through the manual pay system.

^p Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

Data Availability Announcements

Provincial and Territorial Government Employment

First Quarter 1986

Provincial and territorial general government employment for March 1986 totalled 486,001 employees, an increase of 3.1% or 14,551 from March 1985. The increase mainly reflected additional employees for the Expo '86 Corporation and increased hiring under the student employment program of Ontario Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology.

During the same period government enterprise employment increased 1.2% or by 1,828 employees to 155,643.

Since 1984 there has been a slightly increasing trend in general government employment although the March 1986 level was below the seasonal June 1985 peak – which reflected high summer employment. Government enterprise employment has remained relatively stable since 1984. It should be noted that prior to 1984 the provincial government employment statistical series is not consistent with the current series due to changes in coverage.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 2722, monthly data for general government employees by province and territory in series .1 to government enterprise employees by province and territory in series .3 to .3.12 and their payroll in series .4 to .4.12.

Order the January-March 1986 issue of *Provincial and Territorial Government Employment* (72-007, \$15/\$60), available today. Contact: Terry Moore (613-990-8306) or Peter Dudley (613-991-1845), Public Institutions Division.

Chain Store Stocks

June 1986

- Retail chain store stocks totalled \$4,171 million at the end of June 1986, up 7.1% over the level reached in June 1985.
- The inventories to sales ratio for retail chain stores stood at 1.17:1 in June 1986, down slightly from the average ratio of 1.25:1 observed in the first five months of the year and down from the ratios recorded in 1985 which averaged 1.22:1.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 194.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Merchandising Inventories* (63-014, \$12/\$120), available the fourth week of September. Contact: Roger Laplante (613-991-3549), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Air Passenger Origin and Destination Statistics – Domestic Report

First Quarter 1986

Air passenger origin and destination data indicate that 2,667,110 passengers travelled on domestic scheduled services during the first quarter of 1986, up 0.1% from the 2,664,550 passengers recorded for the first quarter of 1985.

Traffic between Montreal and Toronto, the major city-pair, totalled 307,040 passengers for the first quarter of 1986, up 7.0% compared to the same period in 1985. Large percentage increases for traffic between Sault Ste. Marie and Toronto (35.2%) as well as St. John's and Toronto (30.6%) were recorded in the first quarter of 1986 compared to the first quarter of 1985.

Order the Vol. 18, No. 8 issue of the *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), available the second week of September. Contact: A. MacDonald (819-997-1989), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation Division.

Railway Carloadings

Seven Days Ending August 14, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the seven days ending August 14, 1986 totalled 4.2 million tonnes, a decrease of 1.0% from the 1985 figure.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 30 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75), scheduled for release the week of September 8. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-8700), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder

July 1986

Production of process cheese in July 1986 totalled 5 893 290 kilograms, down 13.1% from June 1986 and down 7.2% from July 1985. The 1986 cumulative year-to-date production totalled 39 670 981 kilograms, down from the corresponding 1985 amount of 40 540 238 kilograms (revised figures).

Total production of instant skim milk powder during the month was 284 322 kilograms – a decrease of 54.7% from June 1986 and down 37.0% from July 1985. The 1986 cumulative year-to-date production totalled 3 563 590 kilograms, down from the 4 068 185 kilograms reported for the corresponding period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 188 (series 1.10).

Order the July 1986 issue of *Production and Inventories of Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder* (32-024, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of September 1. Contact: Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

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Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins, June 1986 Catalogue number 46-002
(Canada: \$5/\$50; Other Countries: \$6/\$60)

Surface and Marine Transport Service Bulletin Vol. 2, No. 6. Catalogue number 50-002
(Canada: \$7.50/\$75; Other Countries: \$8.50/\$85)

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Industrial Corporations: Financial Statistics

Second Quarter 1986 (Preliminary Data)

Seasonally adjusted pre-tax profits of industrial corporations stood at \$9.0 billion in the second quarter of 1986, down slightly by 1.3% from the previous quarter. This followed two sharp changes: a 16.6% decline in the first quarter of 1986 and an increase of 7.3% in the final quarter of 1985. Much of the current weakness in profits originated with the mineral fuels industry (down \$474 million) and the petroleum products industry (down \$134 million) and reflected the continuing fall in crude oil prices.

Excluding the mineral fuels and petroleum industries, the remaining industries registered a 6.5% increase in pre-tax profits, a reversal from the decrease of 4.6% recorded in the first quarter of 1986 and the very minor decrease in the fourth quarter of 1985. In dollar terms, the largest pre-tax profits increases in the current quarter were in the transportation equipment industry (\$165 million) and the paper and allied products industry (\$144 million).

The interest coverage ratio (profits before deduction of interest charges, divided by interest charges) decreased slightly to 2.5 in the second quarter from 2.6 in the first quarter. This ratio, which is an indicator of corporations' ability to pay interest charges, has declined from 1985 when it was 2.9. But the ratio is still well above the low point reached in 1982 when it was 1.9.

Industry Highlights (Seasonally Adjusted)

- **Mineral fuels:** A drop in the price of crude oil was mainly responsible for declines in pre-tax profits and sales for the second consecutive quarter. Profits were \$0.4 billion in the second quarter, down from \$0.8 billion in the first quarter and \$1.8 billion in the fourth quarter of 1985.

Profits of this industry have not been this low in over 10 years. Sales were down to \$4.6 billion in the second quarter of 1986 from \$6.0 billion in the preceding quarter.

- **Petroleum products:** Pre-tax profits declined to \$542 million from \$676 million in the first quarter, and \$1.2 billion in the fourth quarter of 1985. About half of the profit decline in the second quarter was due to a decline in dividends received from affiliated corporations in the mineral fuels industry.
- **Transportation equipment:** Pre-tax profits rebounded to \$709 million in the second quarter of 1986 from \$544 million in the first quarter, but were still below the fourth quarter 1985 level of \$784 million. Sales of the industry – bolstered by a rise in exports of passenger automobiles – increased to \$14.5 billion in the second quarter from \$13.9 billion in the first.
- **Paper and allied products:** Pre-tax profits rose to \$525 million in the second quarter from \$381 million in the previous quarter, partly due to price increases. Industry profits are at their highest level since the third quarter of 1980. Sales of the paper and allied products industry registered a 2.9% increase over the quarter. (see table on page 3 and charts on page 4)

The data cover non-government owned corporations in Canada except those in the agriculture, fishing and finance industries.

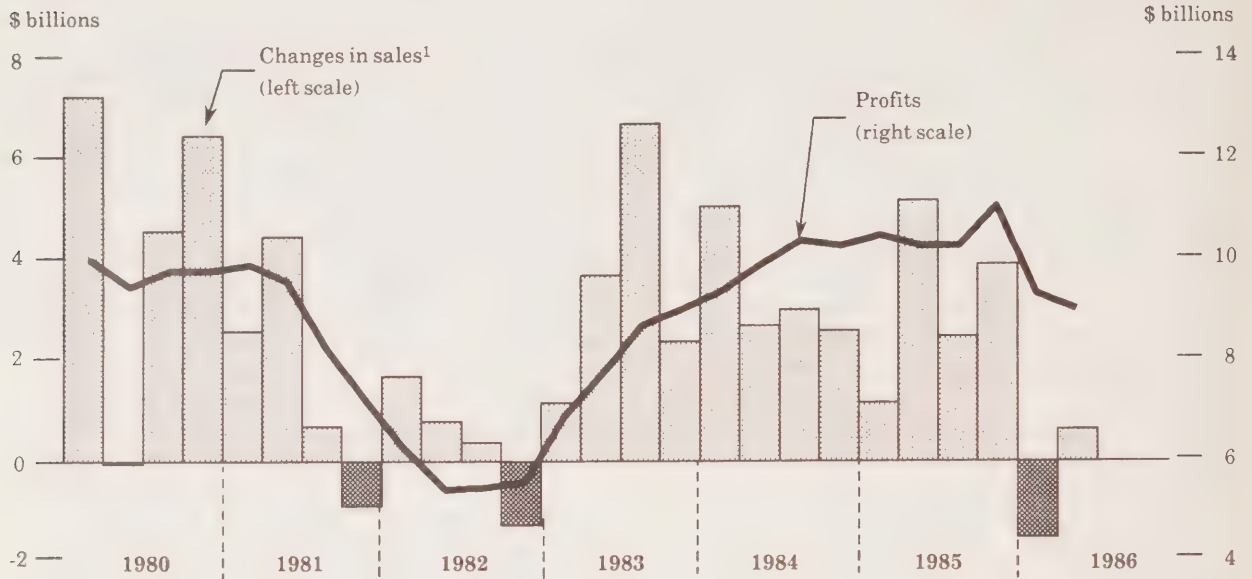
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Industrial Corporations: Financial Statistics
Second Quarter 1986

	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted		
	1985 4 th Quarter	1986 1 st Quarter	1986 2 nd Quarter	1984 2 nd Quarter	1985 2 nd Quarter	1986 2 nd Quarter
(millions of dollars)						
Sales:						
All industries	185,692	184,223	184,860	169,410	181,433	186,824
Mining	9,274	8,823	7,453	8,256	9,224	7,407
Manufacturing	69,034	68,944	69,475	65,377	70,101	71,933
Other	107,384	106,456	107,932	95,777	102,108	107,484
Profit before taxes:						
All industries	10,899	9,088	8,971	9,946	10,298	9,089
Mining	1,835	879	422	1,659	1,842	375
Manufacturing	4,846	4,148	4,512	4,559	4,644	4,868
Other	4,218	4,061	4,037	3,728	3,812	3,846
Net profit after taxes (excluding extraordinary items):						
All industries	6,227	5,394	5,575	5,731	5,918	5,644
Mining	648	240	234	586	695	232
Manufacturing	2,957	2,600	2,813	2,739	2,846	3,033
Other	2,622	2,554	2,528	2,406	2,377	2,379

All Industries (Seasonally Adjusted)



All Industries Excluding Mineral Fuels and Petroleum Products (Seasonally Adjusted)



¹ Changes are measured as quarter-to-quarter differences in level of sales.

Employment, Earnings and Hours

June 1986 (data not seasonally adjusted)

Preliminary data on employment, payrolls and hours for June 1986 showed an estimated 9,308,000 employees at the Canada industrial aggregate level¹, an increase of 55,000 from the previous month (not adjusted for seasonal variation). This represents a smaller than usual increase between May and June and leaves the industrial aggregate employment level 1.3% above the estimate of a year ago.

Average weekly earnings for all employees were estimated at \$429.86 for June, little changed from May and 2.4% above the level for June 1985 (not adjusted for inflation).

Employment

The number of employees in the goods-producing industries increased by 2.1% from May 1986, a smaller than usual increase when compared to the same month in previous years. Smaller than usual increases in mines, quarries and oil wells and construction helped continue the downward trend observed in the growth rate of the goods-producing industries over the previous five months. Employment in the service-producing industries showed little change from May 1986 (+0.1%).

The total number of employees at the Canada industrial aggregate level increased by an estimated 118,000 (1.3%) from June 1985. The service-producing industries accounted for most of this increase while the estimated number of employees in the goods-producing industries was little changed from a year earlier. The year-to-year growth rates for individual service-producing industries have remained relatively stable during the first half of 1986 while the growth rates in mines, quarries and oil wells and construction have been declining steadily since February 1986.

At the provincial level, the increases from May to June were smaller than usual in all provinces except Ontario which showed little change and Alberta which decreased from the previous month.

Compared to June 1985, Alberta was the only province with a significant change in employment, recording a 4.4% decrease.

Earnings

Average weekly earnings for all employees in the Canada industrial aggregate were little changed between May and June. Smaller than usual increases were noted in the service-producing industries while the goods-producing industries were virtually unchanged. At the industry level, average weekly earnings were higher in construction and finance, insurance and real estate and lower in trade.

Compared to June 1985, total average weekly earnings increased by \$10.05 (2.4%). This is similar to the yearly rates of change observed in the previous two months but represents a lower increase than that recorded in the first three months of the year. Average weekly earnings in the goods-producing industries rose by 2.3% from June 1985. The yearly rate of change in the service-producing industries (2.6% in June) has been declining steadily since January 1986 when it was 3.9%.

In June 1986, average weekly earnings decreased in New Brunswick and British Columbia and increased in Prince Edward Island. The remaining provinces and territories showed little or no change. The yearly rate of change in New Brunswick, Ontario and British Columbia has been declining steadily since the beginning of 1986.

Hours and Hourly Earnings

At the Canada industrial aggregate level, the average weekly hours for full-time and part-time employees paid by the hour (who account for approximately 47% of industrial aggregate employment) increased to an estimated 32.5 in June 1986. The average hours for the service-producing industries remained unchanged at 29.0 in June, while the average for goods-producing industries increased slightly to 38.7. (continued on page 6)

¹ The industrial aggregate is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture; fishing and trapping; religious organizations; private households and military personnel.

Average hourly earnings in June of employees paid by the hour remained virtually unchanged from May 1986 at \$10.69. The service-producing industries declined slightly to \$9.42 while the goods-producing industries were unchanged at \$12.42.
(see tables on pages 7 and 8)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 8003-9000 and 9584-9638.

Order the June 1986 issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, \$35/\$350), available at the end of September. Contact: R. Arsenault (613-990-9900), Labour Division.

Employment, Earnings and Hours

June 1986

(data not seasonally adjusted)

Industry group – Canada (1970 SIC)	All employees					
	Number			Average weekly earnings		
	June 1986 ^p	May 1986 ^r	Apr. 1986 ^r	June 1986 ^p	May 1986 ^r	Apr. 1986 ^r
	thousands			dollars		
Forestry	57.4	49.6	39.5	564.72	562.31	591.60
Mines, quarries and oil wells	146.9	144.9	142.9	703.18	706.03	715.04
Manufacturing	1,795.4	1,770.7	1,731.1	499.80	501.01	502.70
Durables	861.7	848.4	835.8	531.67	533.56	536.23
Non-durables	933.6	922.3	895.3	470.39	471.06	471.40
Construction	404.2	389.7	359.5	497.48	483.54	511.34
Building	338.7	325.6	305.7	475.38	461.59	491.48
Industrial and heavy	65.5	64.1	53.8	611.82	595.10	624.10
Goods-producing industries	2,403.8	2,354.9	2,272.9	513.39	512.03	518.96
Transportation, communication and other utilities	812.7	805.3	796.6	552.95	555.18	558.21
Transportation	462.7	456.3	449.8	508.15	511.65	512.64
Storage	11.8	11.6	13.0	561.61	553.04	556.91
Communication	221.6	220.1	220.1	580.74	581.33	590.03
Electric power, gas and water utilities	116.6	117.3	113.6	677.04	675.69	677.12
Trade	1,644.5	1,645.1	1,617.2	317.76	320.02	316.02
Wholesale	483.6	485.4	475.5	434.83	438.49	440.58
Retail	1,160.9	1,159.8	1,141.7	268.99	270.45	264.15
Finance, insurance and real estate	581.7	575.2	572.0	461.13	453.04	452.07
Community, business and personal services	3,164.6	3,172.5	3,143.8	368.78	363.61	359.70
Public administration	700.3	699.9	654.2	513.60	518.56	540.60
Service-producing industries	6,903.8	6,898.0	6,783.7	400.78	398.76	397.83
Industrial aggregate	9,307.6	9,253.0	9,056.6	429.86	427.58	428.23
Industrial aggregate – Provinces						
Newfoundland	131.7	130.0	123.5	398.03	399.88	404.32
Prince Edward Island	32.1	31.7	29.4	345.43	343.59	346.05
Nova Scotia	261.3	259.9	250.8	390.80	388.32	387.95
New Brunswick	200.0	199.3	188.3	395.62	397.17	395.73
Quebec	2,335.3	2,314.6	2,251.4	418.37	414.55	416.15
Ontario	3,826.7	3,796.4	3,733.3	440.02	437.61	437.20
Manitoba	372.0	370.6	359.6	402.20	398.66	397.91
Saskatchewan	284.9	284.8	277.7	401.17	400.09	398.42
Alberta	856.2	860.5	858.0	445.41	443.22	443.30
British Columbia	979.7	978.5	958.9	444.15	444.73	447.80
Yukon	8.6	8.7	8.0	477.12	477.78	483.95
Northwest Territories	19.1	18.0	17.6	571.31	566.44	561.43
Canada	9,307.6	9,253.0	9,056.6	429.86	427.58	428.23

^p Preliminary estimates.

^r Revised estimates.

Employment, Earnings and Hours – Concluded

June 1986

(data not seasonally adjusted)

Employees paid by the hour

Industry group – Canada (1970 SIC)	Average weekly hours			Average hourly earnings		
	June 1986 ^p	May 1986 ^r	Apr. 1986 ^r	June 1986 ^p	May 1986 ^r	Apr. 1986 ^r
	number			dollars		
Forestry	40.4	39.4	39.1	16.35	16.65	17.17
Mines, quarries and oil wells	39.6	39.5	39.1	15.60	15.78	15.95
Manufacturing	38.8	38.9	39.0	11.86	11.88	11.84
Durables	40.0	40.0	40.4	12.39	12.45	12.40
Non-durables	37.5	37.7	37.6	11.27	11.24	11.21
Construction	38.0	36.6	37.5	13.57	13.55	14.28
Building	37.2	35.9	37.0	13.31	13.24	14.04
Industrial and heavy	42.0	40.0	40.4	14.69	14.88	15.53
Goods-producing industries	38.7	38.5	38.8	12.42	12.42	12.51
Transportation, communication and other utilities	38.4	38.3	38.0	13.71	13.78	13.88
Transportation	38.3	38.3	37.7	13.21	13.28	13.40
Storage	37.1	35.9	37.8	14.23	14.02	14.01
Communication	36.6	36.1	36.6	14.20	14.34	14.35
Electric power, gas and water utilities	40.1	40.0	40.4	15.48	15.46	15.52
Trade	29.1	29.2	28.5	8.27	8.21	8.21
Wholesale	36.6	36.9	36.5	9.67	9.60	9.71
Retail	27.5	27.6	26.8	7.88	7.82	7.78
Finance, insurance and real estate	...	...	...	...	...	...
Community, business and personal services	27.3	27.2	26.8	9.01	9.13	9.13
Public administration	...	...	...	...	...	...
Service-producing industries	29.0	29.0	28.5	9.42	9.46	9.47
Industrial aggregate	32.5	32.3	32.1	10.69	10.70	10.75
Industrial aggregate – Provinces						
Newfoundland	34.9	34.6	34.0	9.33	9.40	9.52
Prince Edward Island	33.1	32.8	30.3	7.01	7.10	7.57
Nova Scotia	33.4	33.2	32.8	9.38	9.48	9.40
New Brunswick	34.2	34.2	33.8	9.59	9.77	9.75
Quebec	33.2	32.9	32.9	10.47	10.36	10.42
Ontario	33.0	33.0	32.8	10.67	10.72	10.73
Manitoba	32.3	32.1	31.6	10.01	10.01	9.94
Saskatchewan	29.4	29.3	28.7	10.28	10.40	10.37
Alberta	30.4	30.2	29.8	10.71	10.69	10.72
British Columbia	30.3	30.3	30.0	12.51	12.56	12.82
Yukon	32.0	31.2	31.4	12.34	12.00	11.64
Northwest Territories	33.9	32.9	32.2	14.03	13.92	13.70
Canada	32.5	32.3	32.1	10.69	10.70	10.75

^p Preliminary estimates.

^r Revised estimates.

... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

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Steel Ingots

Week Ending August 23, 1986

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending August 23, 1986 totalled 232 444 tonnes, an increase of 1.7% from the preceding week's total of 228 578 tonnes but down 17.8% from the year-earlier level of 282 800 tonnes.

The cumulative total in 1986 was 9 070 098 tonnes, a decrease of 2.1% from 9 262 351 tonnes for the same period in 1985.

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Gross Domestic Product

Second Quarter 1986

Gross Domestic Product, seasonally adjusted at annual rates, rose to a level of \$501.7 billion in the second quarter, an increase of 1.2%. After allowing for a 0.5% increase in prices, real GDP rose by 0.8%, following a 0.5% gain in the first quarter. The average quarterly gain in real GDP of 0.7% to date in 1986 compares to an average of 1.0% in 1985. The level of GDP is now 3.9% higher than a year ago.

The expansion in the second quarter largely originated in household demand. Consumer demand and housing had slowed in the first quarter, following exceptionally rapid growth in the last half of 1985. Business investment in plant and equipment weakened sharply in the second quarter, while the rate of inventory accumulation slowed. Sharply lower imports accounted for all of the improvement in real net exports, as exports also declined.

Consumer demand for goods and services expanded by 1.0% in volume. Growth in the past four quarters totalled 4.2%. Outlays for goods rose 0.9% after a marginal decline in the first quarter, while demand for services grew steadily at 1.1%. The increase in goods originated in spending on most semi-durable and non-durable goods. Expenditure on durable goods fell, as car sales to date in 1986 have declined slightly after three years of rapid growth.

Spending on residential construction rebounded by 2.0% in volume, following a comparable decline in the previous quarter. The gain was evident both in higher house resales and work-put-in-place, the latter reflecting the sharp growth of new housing starts in the second quarter.

Business investment in plant and equipment recorded a drop of 4.6% in volume, following little change in the first quarter. The severity of the decline is largely explained by sharp cutbacks in oil and gas exploration and development drilling activity. Investment excluding the energy sector weakened slightly in the quarter.

Total inventory accumulation was little changed in volume terms. Non-farm inventory accumulation eased from a \$5.8 billion annual rate in the first quarter to \$4.4 billion in the second quarter. All of the slowdown originated in the retail trade stocks, after a large increase in the first quarter. A large accumulation in farm inventories offset the non-farm movement as grain stocks rose with exports falling sharply.

Real net exports of goods and services rose by \$2.7 billion in the second quarter, to recoup a decline of similar magnitude in the first quarter. Most of these quarterly movements originated in import volume, up 2.6% in the first quarter and down 4.4% in the second. The drop was particularly evident in automotive products and precious metals. Real export demand edged up in the first quarter before subsiding by 1.8% in the second. Sluggish automotive exports to the United States, weak metal exports and a sharp decline in agricultural commodities, notably wheat, were the major factors in this decline.

The overall implicit price index for expenditure on GDP increased by 0.5% in the quarter, a continuation of the moderate price increases of the previous two quarters. Lower prices received for exports for the third consecutive quarter led this restraint. The 1.8% drop in export prices reflected declines for a wide range of primary products, and fabricated materials. Prices for consumer goods and services decelerated to 0.6% in the second quarter, as prices declined sharply for energy products.

Total labour income grew by 0.8% in the second quarter, largely due to gains in the service-producing industries. Personal income rose 1.2%, while a 8.8% jump in personal income tax collections left disposable incomes little changed, after a 2.0% increase in the first quarter.

Total government expenditures, excluding intergovernmental transfers, rose 3.1% in the second quarter after declining slightly in the first. There were increases in all expenditure categories with the largest being in subsidies, (continued on page 3)

reflecting payments made under the Western Grain Stabilization Plan, and in interest on the public debt. Total revenues increased by 2.5%, primarily due to higher personal income taxes and sales taxes. As a result, the deficit of the government sector, seasonally adjusted at annual rates and on a national accounts basis, rose from \$25.6 billion in the first quarter to \$27.6 billion in the second.

Note: In the published first quarter estimates, many series were noticeably affected by the fact that the Easter holiday fell in the first quarter, rather than the second, the first such instance since 1978. Revisions to individual series for the first quarter include a re-estimation of the seasonal factors in an attempt to adjust for this phenomenon.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 6701-6741, 6641-6642.

A printout containing all tables is also available on the day of release from the Gross National Product Division (\$35/\$140).

Order the second quarter 1986 issue of *National Income and Expenditure Accounts* (13-001, \$15/\$60) scheduled for release the third week of September, 1986, or contact Barbara Clift (613-990-9158), Gross National Product Division.

Gross Domestic Product, Income Based

(Seasonally Adjusted at Annual Rates)

	1985 II	III	IV	1986 I	II	I'86 IV'85	II'86 I'86
	(\$ millions)					% Change	
Wages, salaries and supplementary labour income ¹	253,312	258,092	261,636	264,820	266,924	1.2	.8
Corporation profits before taxes ²	44,964	47,548	50,776	43,456	44,524	-14.4	2.5
Interest and miscellaneous investment income ²	39,744	39,480	41,848	44,412	42,448	6.1	-4.4
Accrued net income of farm operators from farm production	5,520	3,372	3,716	4,344	6,428	16.9	48.0
Net income of non-farm unincorporated business, including rent	27,824	29,500	30,316	30,888	31,100	1.9	0.7
Inventory valuation adjustment	-2,088	-1,392	-2,452	-1,624	712	-828 ³	2,336 ³
Net domestic income at factor cost	369,276	376,600	385,840	386,296	392,136	0.1	1.5
Indirect taxes less subsidies	46,572	47,340	49,360	52,132	51,896	5.6	-0.5
Capital consumption allowances	53,584	54,172	54,616	55,648	56,196	1.9	1.0
Statistical discrepancy	1,540	2,068	1,044	1,460	1,472		
Gross Domestic Product at market prices	470,972	480,180	490,860	495,536	501,700	1.0	1.2

¹ Includes military pay and allowances

² These aggregates differ from those shown in earlier tables in that they are on a "domestic" basis and thus include interest and dividends paid to non-residents and exclude interest and dividends received from non-residents.

³ Actual change in millions of dollars.

Gross Domestic Product, Expenditure Based
(Seasonally Adjusted at Annual Rates)

	1985 II	III	IV	1986 I	II	I'86 IV'85	II'86 I'86
	At current prices (\$ millions)					% Change	
Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services	270,516	278,540	284,420	288,584	293,044	1.5	1.5
Durable goods	39,244	41,012	42,156	42,460	43,152	0.7	1.6
Semi-durable goods	28,036	28,864	29,748	29,912	30,652	0.6	2.5
Non-durable goods	79,324	81,356	83,184	83,864	83,812	0.8	-0.1
Services	123,912	127,308	129,332	132,348	135,428	2.3	2.3
Government current expenditure on goods and services	94,060	94,648	97,372	98,048	98,744	0.7	0.7
Government investment in fixed capital	11,768	11,796	11,832	12,104	12,348	2.3	2.0
Government investment in inventories	0	-132	-76	60	24	136 ¹	-36 ¹
Business investment in fixed capital	79,532	82,952	85,476	85,996	85,140	0.6	-1.0
Residential	24,024	26,260	28,516	28,164	29,452	-1.2	4.6
Plant and equipment	55,508	56,692	56,960	57,832	55,688	1.5	-3.7
Business investment in inventories	3,176	4,684	1,244	7,620	5,880	6,376 ¹	-1,740 ¹
Exports of goods and services ²	134,336	134,392	141,084	139,500	134,528	-1.1	-3.6
Deduct: Imports of goods and services ³	120,880	124,632	129,448	134,920	126,536	4.2	-6.2
Statistical discrepancy	-1,536	-2,068	-1,044	-1,456	-1,472		
Gross Domestic Product at market prices	470,972	480,180	490,860	495,536	501,700	1.0	1.2
Final Domestic Demand	455,876	467,936	479,100	484,732	489,276	1.2	0.9
	At 1981 prices (\$ millions)					% Change	
Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services	213,724	217,580	219,992	220,556	222,704	0.3	1.0
Durable goods	34,464	35,812	36,700	36,572	36,308	-0.3	-0.7
Semi-durable goods	23,524	24,028	24,612	24,560	25,004	-0.2	1.8
Non-durable goods	60,700	61,608	62,220	61,976	62,892	-0.4	1.5
Services	95,036	96,132	96,460	97,448	98,500	1.0	1.1
Government current expenditure on goods and services	73,536	73,520	74,700	74,360	74,368	-0.5	0.0
Government investment in fixed capital	10,188	10,216	10,096	10,216	10,376	1.2	1.6
Government investment in inventories	0	-108	-48	48	20	96 ¹	-28 ¹
Business investment in fixed capital	69,600	72,408	73,748	73,052	71,280	-0.9	-2.4
Residential	21,228	22,904	24,664	23,952	24,432	-2.9	2.0
Plant and equipment	48,372	49,504	49,084	49,100	46,848	0.0	-4.6
Business investment in inventories	2,824	3,968	1,308	6,732	6,544	5,424 ¹	-188 ¹
Exports of goods and services ²	123,248	122,068	128,544	128,720	126,360	0.1	-1.8
Deduct: Imports of goods and services ³	105,376	108,532	111,100	114,012	108,964	2.6	-4.4
Statistical discrepancy	-1,244	-1,660	-824	-1,172	-1,180		
Gross Domestic Product at market prices	386,500	389,460	396,416	398,500	401,508	0.5	0.8
Final Domestic Demand	367,048	373,724	378,536	378,184	378,728	-0.1	0.1
	Implicit price indexes					% Change	
Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services	126.6	128.0	129.3	130.8	131.6	1.2	0.6
Durable goods	113.9	114.5	114.9	116.1	118.8	1.0	2.3
Semi-durable goods	119.2	120.1	120.9	121.8	122.6	0.7	0.7
Non-durable goods	130.7	132.1	133.7	135.3	133.3	1.2	-1.5
Services	130.4	132.4	134.1	135.8	137.5	1.3	1.3
Government current expenditure on goods and services	127.9	128.7	130.4	131.9	132.8	1.2	0.7
Government investment in fixed capital	115.5	115.5	117.2	118.5	119.0	1.1	0.4
Business investment in fixed capital	114.3	114.6	115.9	117.7	119.4	1.6	1.4
Residential	113.2	114.7	115.6	117.6	120.5	1.7	2.5
Plant and equipment	114.8	114.5	116.0	117.8	118.9	1.6	0.9
Exports of goods and services ²	109.0	110.1	109.8	108.4	106.5	-1.3	-1.8
Deduct: Imports of goods and services ³	114.7	114.8	116.5	118.3	116.1	1.5	-1.9
Gross Domestic Product at market prices	121.9	123.3	123.8	124.4	125.0	0.5	0.5
Final Domestic Demand	124.2	125.2	126.6	128.2	129.2	1.3	0.8

¹ Actual change in millions of dollars.

² Excludes investment income received from non-residents.

³ Excludes investment income paid to non-residents.

Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments

Second Quarter 1986

Current account transactions, on a seasonally adjusted basis, produced a deficit for the fourth consecutive quarter. While remaining substantial, the \$1.8 billion deficit in the current quarter was more than one-third lower than the record \$2.9 billion deficit of the previous quarter. This was due to the combination of a higher merchandise trade surplus and a lower deficit on non-merchandise transactions. The higher merchandise trade surplus resulted entirely from a sharp decrease in imports. The decline in imports was notable as it represented an abrupt reversal from the steady advances which prevailed since 1982, except for a small decline in the fourth quarter of 1984. While decreasing at a lower rate than imports, merchandise exports fell steeply to their lowest level since the fourth quarter of 1984. The decrease in the deficit on non-merchandise transactions was largely attributable to the investment income and travel accounts.

Capital transactions, which are not seasonally adjusted, showed a much lower net inflow than in the first quarter. The Government of Canada did not borrow foreign currencies abroad in the current quarter. Although not as sizeable as in the previous quarter, foreign direct and portfolio investments in Canada continued on a significant scale. These inflows were, however, largely offset by outflows arising from residents purchasing companies in Canada from their foreign shareholders. Among claims on non-residents, the Canadian non-bank sector reduced its deposits abroad, following a substantial increase of these deposits in the first quarter.

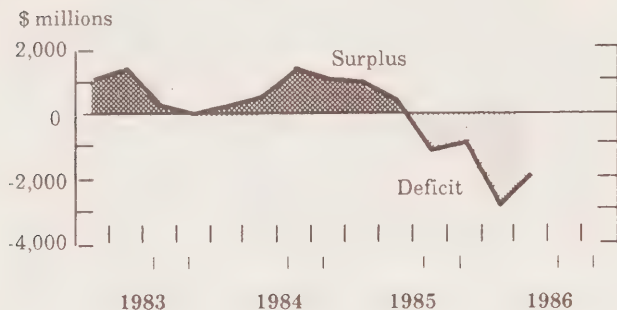
Current Account, Seasonally Adjusted

The main quarterly features were:

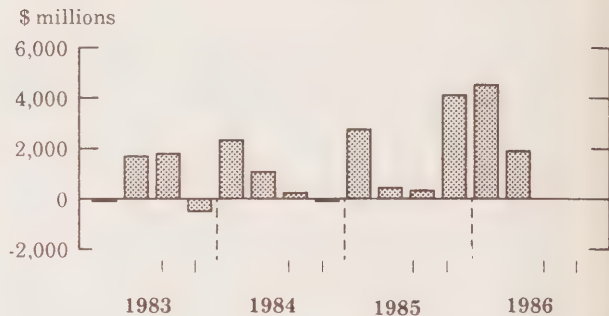
- A large current account deficit of \$1.8 billion. The decline from the record established in the previous quarter was due both to a moderate increase (\$625 million) in the merchandise trade surplus to \$2.9 billion and to a decline (\$406 million) in the deficit on non-merchandise transactions to \$4.7 billion;
- A sharp decline of \$2.0 billion (7%) in merchandise imports. Decreases were widespread: automotive products, crude petroleum, precious metals, other transportation equipment and petroleum and coal products;
- A substantial drop of \$1.3 billion (4%) in merchandise exports, three times the decrease of the first quarter. Declines were recorded in wheat, automotive products, precious metals, petroleum and coal products and crude petroleum. Increases were recorded in forest products and other transportation equipment;
- Among non-merchandise transactions, a reduction of \$326 million in the deficit on the investment income account to \$4.1 billion, as a result of lower payments of dividends (from the high level of the previous quarter) and of miscellaneous income (arising mainly from lower short-term interest rates);
- In international travel, a surplus of \$60 million with the United States, the first surplus since 1974. This was, however, more than offset by a deficit of \$363 million with other countries. At \$303 million, the travel account recorded its lowest deficit since the fourth quarter of 1982.

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Current Account Balance (seasonally adjusted)



Capital Account – Net Flow



Current and Capital Accounts, Not Seasonally Adjusted

The main quarterly features were:

- A shift to a deficit of \$2.3 billion in the current account from a surplus of \$535 million in the second quarter of 1985. This shift stemmed largely from higher merchandise imports;
- A large decline in the net capital inflow to \$1.9 billion from \$4.6 billion in the previous quarter;
- A substantial net inflow of \$4.0 billion from transactions in Canadian bonds. This was lower than the previous quarter inflow which included large Government of Canada bond issues in foreign currencies. The large interest differential which developed in the first quarter continued to prevail with Canadian rates higher than those in the United States;
- A small net inflow from foreign direct investment in Canada. The gross inflow from foreign direct investment of about one billion dollars was largely offset by outflows arising from the purchase of Canadian companies from foreign direct investors. (The outflow resulting from the purchase of shares held by foreign portfolio investors was recorded in the account "Canadian stocks");
- A shift to a net outflow of \$2.4 billion in the foreign currency transactions of chartered banks from a net inflow of \$528 million in the previous quarter. Most of the current net outflow was related to the reduction of liabilities to non-residents;
- Among Canadian claims on non-residents, deposits abroad by the non-bank sector decreased in both the United States and the United Kingdom, giving rise to a net inflow of \$1.1 billion;
- An increase in Canadian portfolio investment in foreign stocks and bonds, giving rise to a net outflow of \$788 million, compared to a small net inflow in the previous quarter;
- Virtually no change in official international reserve assets, despite the repayment by the monetary authorities of \$1.4 billion of bank loans in foreign currencies;

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- A statistical discrepancy (the balancing item between the recorded estimates of current and capital accounts) equivalent to a net credit of \$325 million;
- A relatively stable Canadian dollar which hovered around 72 U.S. cents after having touched a historic low of 69.13 U.S. cents in early February 1986. The Canadian dollar depreciated against other major currencies in tandem with the United States dollar.

Revisions

The release of second quarter 1986 data includes revisions to the capital accounts for the years 1977 to 1985, inclusive.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 147, 273-275, 279-281, 1363, 1364, 1370, 2325-2339, 2343-2349 and 2353.

Note:

The first quarter 1986 seasonally adjusted merchandise trade data were modified to reflect the fact that Easter occurred in March this year for the first time since 1978.

Contact: Lucie Laliberté (613-990-9050), Balance of Payments, International and Financial Economics Division.

Canadian Balance of International Payments – Summary

(\$ millions)

	1985			1986		1984	1985
	II	III	IV	I	II		
Seasonally adjusted							
Current account balances							
Merchandise	4,479	3,494	4,014	2,288	2,914	20,726	17,475
Non-merchandise:							
Services	-1,117	-1,055	-1,106	-1,143	-915	-4,384	-4,298
Investment income	-3,172	-3,665	-4,063	-4,427	-4,101	-13,794	-14,598
Transfers	251	88	243	419	272	813	836
Total non-merchandise	-4,037	-4,631	-4,926	-5,150	-4,744	-17,364	-18,060
Total current account	442	-1,137	-912	-2,862	-1,830	3,362	-584
Not seasonally adjusted							
Current account balance	535	-548	-90	-4,452	-2,258	3,362	-584
Capital account							
Canadian claims on non-residents, net flows							
Direct investment	-1,213	-1,234	-1,137	-1,098	-915	-3,300	-5,100
Portfolio securities	-10	12	-951	70	-788	-2,037	-1,208
Other	905	-113	2,675	-4,319	-48	-6,537	119
Total Canadian claims, net flow	-318	-1,334	586	-5,347	-1,751	-11,874	-6,189
Canadian liabilities to non-residents, net flows							
Direct investment	266	-2,550	-36	1,117	49	1,698	-2,950
Portfolio securities	3,475	3,909	3,010	6,382	3,628	8,215	12,964
Other	-2,943	312	552	2,423	8	5,557	3,859
Total Canadian liabilities, net flow	798	1,671	3,527	9,923	3,684	15,470	13,873
Total net capital flow	480	337	4,113	4,576	1,933	3,597	7,684
Statistical discrepancy	-1,015	212	-4,023	-124	325	-6,958	-7,100

Industrial Product Price Index

July 1986

Preliminary estimates show that the Industrial Product Price Index (IPPI, 1981=100) rose 0.1% in July 1986 from the June level. Price increases in the meat and the woodpulp sectors were almost completely offset by decreases for petroleum and coal products, motor vehicles and primary metal products.

The IPPI advanced 0.3% from July 1985 to July 1986; this is comparable to the year-to-year advances observed since May 1986. However, with the petroleum and coal component excluded, the yearly rate of change would have been 3.4%.

Substantial price increases were noted in July for most meat products, notably pork (11.2%), chicken (3.2%), beef (2.5%) and cured meat (6.3%). Prices for the different types of woodpulp went up 5.8% in July, with increases observed in both the domestic and export markets.

Preliminary estimates show that prices for petroleum and coal products declined 0.9% in July 1986, down 22.9% from July 1985. Owing mainly to the effect of the 0.8% increase in the Canadian dollar on export prices quoted in US currency, prices for motor vehicles posted a decrease of 0.6%. Prices for primary metal products went down 0.5% in July, largely as a result of decreases for copper (-3.2%), nickel (-1.2%) and aluminum (-0.6%).
(see table on page 9)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1960-1967 and 1970.

Order the July 1986 issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, \$15/\$150), available towards the end of September. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Industrial Product Price Indexes (1981 = 100)

Index	Relative Importance ¹	Index July 1986 ²	% Change	
			July 1986/ June 1986	July 1986/ July 1985
Industrial product price index - Total	100.0	118.9	0.1	0.3
Intermediate goods	61.6	114.4	0	-0.5
First stage intermediate goods	14.6	103.5	0.4	0.9
Second stage intermediate goods	47.0	117.8	-0.1	-0.9
Finished goods	38.4	126.0	0.2	1.4
Finished foods and feeds	10.3	128.0	1.0	5.2
Capital equipment	10.2	128.2	-0.2	3.6
All other finished goods	17.9	123.6	-0.1	-1.8
Aggregation by commodities:				
Meat, fish and dairy products	7.7	120.9	2.2	4.7
Fruit, vegetable, feed, miscellaneous food products	7.0	116.6	-0.2	2.8
Beverages	1.9	139.5	0	6.3
Tobacco and tobacco products	0.7	145.3	0.9	6.4
Rubber, leather, plastic fabric products	2.8	117.9	0.1	3.9
Textile products	2.4	111.1	0	1.0
Knitted products and clothing	2.4	117.1	0.3	2.8
Lumber, sawmill, other wood products	4.3	117.2	-0.3	4.5
Furniture and fixtures	1.5	126.5	0.1	3.6
Paper and paper products	8.1	117.3	1.1	4.5
Printing and publishing	2.4	133.9	0.4	4.0
Primary metal products	8.8	108.1	-0.5	3.1
Metal fabricated products	5.3	121.9	0.1	2.3
Machinery and equipment	4.8	122.4	-0.1	2.1
Autos, trucks, other transportation equipment	11.6	132.1	-0.3	4.4
Electrical and communication products	5.0	122.6	-0.1	2.3
Non-metallic mineral products	2.5	130.4	0.1	4.9
Petroleum and coal products ³	10.7	102.9	-0.9	-22.9
Chemical, chemical products	7.1	116.1	0	1.0
Miscellaneous manufactured products	2.3	125.2	0.2	5.2
Miscellaneous non-manufactured commodities	0.8	94.4	-0.6	0.4

¹ Weights are derived from the "make" matrix of the 1981 Input/Output table.

² Indexes are preliminary.

³ This index is estimated for the current month.

Raw Materials Price Index

July 1986

Preliminary estimates show the Raw Materials Price Index (RMPI, 1981 = 100) decreased 1.4% in July 1986 from its June level. The decrease was mainly attributable to an estimated 5.7% decrease for the mineral fuels component index. From July 1985 to July 1986 the RMPI fell 21.1%. The RMPI excluding mineral fuels showed a 1.2% increase over the month and a 5.3% increase over the year. Of the seven components making up the index, four registered decreases, one increased and two showed no change.

The 5.7% decrease for the mineral fuels component in July left this index 44.5% below its year-earlier level. Crude mineral oil prices were estimated to have dropped 7.1% over the month to a level 51.8% lower than a year ago.

The only component index that increased was for animals and animal products, which was up 4.3% in July. This index is now 10.2% higher than its year-earlier level. Prices for hogs, up 12.2%, and for cattle (for slaughter), up 6.3%, were the main contributors to the upward movement of the component index.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 1980.

Order the July 1986 issue of *Industry Price Indexes* (62-011, \$15/\$150), available towards the end of September. Contact: the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Raw Materials Price Index

(1981 = 100)

	Relative Importance	Index July 1986 ¹	% Change	
			July 1986/ June 1986	July 1986/ July 1985
Raw materials total	100	91.0	-1.4	-21.1
Mineral fuels	45	74.7	-5.7	-44.5
Vegetable products	11	89.2	-1.2	-2.5
Animal and animal product	20	115.2	4.3	10.2
Wood products	8	108.8	0	3.8
Ferrous materials	2	109.7	-0.5	2.0
Non-ferrous metals	11	90.1	-1.3	5.4
Non-metallic minerals	3	127.8	0	2.6
Total excluding mineral fuels	55	104.5	1.2	5.3

¹ These indexes are preliminary.

Index of Farm Production

1985

Farm production in Canada in 1985 increased 7.3% from the 1984 level. The index of farm production (1981=100) rose to 102.6 from the revised 1984 level of 95.6.

Crop production advanced 15.0% in 1985. Several factors contributed to this increase at the national level:

- Grain production rose 20.5% due to an increase in crop area and higher yields in 1985 for wheat, oats, barley and corn. On the whole, the drought that affected the Prairie provinces in 1985 was less severe than the drought that took place in 1984. Although the yield for wheat improved in the Prairie provinces in 1985, it was still below its five-year average;
- Oilseed production increased by 9.5% as output for flaxseed, canola-rapeseed and soybeans was up. Oilseed production reached a record level in 1985 and was 82.9% above the 1981 level;
- Vegetable production increased 3.2%, led by a 6.9% rise in potato production;
- The production indexes for fruits and other crops also registered increases in 1985.

Production of livestock and animal products increased 0.4%:

- Livestock production (cattle, calves, hogs, sheep and lambs) rose 0.6% with production of cattle and calves up 3.8%. Despite the increase, production of cattle and calves was 4.1% below the 1981 level and 6.9% below the record set in 1975. Hog and lamb production fell 3.7% and 5.2%, respectively;
- Dairy production decreased 2.4% despite higher fluid milk deliveries. Industrial milk and cream marketings decreased 4.3% as producers cut back on deliveries during

the early part of 1985 to stay within their quota allotments for the 1984/85 dairy year (August-July). In addition, the dairy quota for industrial milk was lowered on August 1, 1985 leading to further cutbacks in industrial milk deliveries;

- A 4.8% increase in the poultry and egg index was the result of increased production of broilers and turkeys as producers expanded output to meet increased production quotas. Production of poultry and eggs has been rising annually since 1982 and the index now stands at 111.6;
- Production of other animal products fell by 11.3% due to lower levels for honey and wool.

The index of farm production increased in 1985 in all provinces except Prince Edward Island (-6.7%), Alberta (-1.4%) and British Columbia (-0.4%). While potato production increased nationally, it was down 7.8% in Prince Edward Island. The largest provincial increase in production was in Manitoba (+22.2%) where grain production was up 37.6% and oilseed production was up 27.2%.

The index of farm production measures the change through time in the production of agricultural commodities and is measured by adding together farm marketings, farm home consumption, and farm inventory changes. The price weights used in the index are weighted averages of 1971 to 1974 prices and the time base is 1981=100. No allowance is made for the costs of production, nor is there any adjustment made for changes in the quality of commodities produced.
(see table on page 12)

Available on CANSIM: matrices 130 and 996.

Order the 1985 issue of *Index of Farm Production* (21-203, \$17), available September 22. Contact: Paul Murray (613-990-8706), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

**Indexes of Farm Production, Crop Production and Livestock and Animal Products
Production, by Province, 1984 and 1985**
(1981 = 100)

	Index of farm production		Index of crop production		Index of livestock and animal products production	
	1984	1985	1984	1985	1984	1985
Newfoundland	119.7	120.9	75.9	69.2	127.6	130.2
Prince Edward Island	104.5	97.5	104.4	93.2	104.7	104.4
Nova Scotia	106.3	107.3	115.9	112.8	104.4	106.2
New Brunswick	103.8	111.0	95.9	112.5	109.6	109.9
Quebec	105.1	108.3	118.8	140.3	102.8	102.6
Ontario	99.1	105.9	93.9	110.4	102.3	103.2
Manitoba	107.6	131.5	105.7	139.7	111.4	114.7
Saskatchewan	87.7	98.9	83.5	98.6	106.5	100.2
Alberta	85.5	84.3	77.2	74.2	95.7	96.6
British Columbia	105.9	105.5	112.8	104.9	103.2	105.8
Canada	95.6	102.6	89.5	102.9	101.9	102.3

Data Availability Announcements

Livestock Report

July 1, 1986

The total number of pigs in Canada, at July 1, 1986 was estimated at 10,707,500 – virtually unchanged from a year ago. In the East, numbers were estimated at 7,084,500, down 1% from a year earlier while in the West they totalled 3,623,000, up 1% from the previous year. Sows for breeding and bred gilts were estimated at 1,091,100; this is the net result of a 2% decrease in the East and a 2% increase in the West. In the East, farrowing intentions for both the third and fourth quarters remained almost unchanged from the same quarters in 1985. In the West, farrowing intentions for the third and fourth quarters were up 5%. Improved pig prices combined with lower feed costs appeared to stimulate expansion, particularly in the West.

Total cattle and calves in Canada, at July 1, 1986 were estimated at 11,464,700 head, a decrease of 3% in the East and 2% in the West from a year earlier.

Beef cows were estimated at 3,044,000 – down 2% from a year ago. In the East, beef cow numbers were essentially unchanged while in the West they declined 3%. Beef heifers for breeding – estimated at 604,000 – were up 3% from a year ago. Total milk cows declined 2% in the East and remained relatively unchanged in the West.

Total sheep and lamb numbered 721,500 at July 1, 1986, down 4% from a year ago. Sheep one year and older decreased by 4% while lambs under one year were down by 3%.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1150, 1166, 5645 and 9500-9510.

Order the July 1, 1986 issue of *Livestock Report* (23-008, \$15/\$60), available mid-September. Contact: Bernard E. Rosien (613-991-2509), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Government Revenue and Expenditure

Second Quarter 1986

Government revenue and expenditure detail by level of government on a national accounts basis for the quarter ended June 30, 1986 is now available.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2711-2715.

Contact: Dan Finnerty (613-991-1820), Public Institutions Division.

Provincial Government Finance, Revenue and Expenditure

1985-1987

Estimates data for 1985-1986 and forecast data for 1986-1987 are available at 10:00 hours today from matrices 2751-2763 of the CANSIM network or by contacting G. Huneault (613-991-1812), Public Institutions Division.

Major Appliances

July 1986

Canadian firms produced 139,207 major appliances during July 1986, a decrease of 29.6% from the 197,754 units produced the previous month but an increase of 18.1% from the 117,840 units produced in July 1985.

Production of major appliances for the first seven months of 1986 amounted to 1,366,375 units, a 12.6% rise from 1,213,977 for the same period in 1985.

Domestic sales of major appliances by these Canadian firms increased to 224,234 units in July 1986, up 13.3% from 197,838 units in June 1986, and up 16.8% from the 192,009 units sold in July 1985.

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Year-to-date domestic sales to July 1986 amounted to 1,200,494 units, up 9.9% from the 1,092,355 units for the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 65, 66 and 122 (series 30).

Order the July 1986 issue of *Production, Sales and Stocks of Major Appliances* (43-010, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of September 15. Contact: J.P. Beauparlant (613-991-3526), Industry Division.

Sawmills in British Columbia

June 1986

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 3 072 400 cubic metres (1,302.0 million board feet) of lumber and ties in June 1986, an increase of 7.5% over the 2 857 600 cubic metres (1,211.0 million board feet) produced in June 1985.

January to June 1986 production was 18 642 100 cubic metres (7,896.5 million board feet), an increase of 11.4% over the 16 741 400 cubic metres (7,094.6 million board feet) produced over the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 53 (series 1.2).

Order the June 1986 issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, \$6/\$60), to be released mid-September. Contact: Jock Dobie (604-666-2671), B.C. and Yukon Regional Office, Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 3C9.

Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables

August 1, 1986

Stocks of fruit, frozen and in preservatives, in storage and factories at the opening of the first business day of August, totalled 20 058 tonnes compared with 20 523 tonnes a year earlier. Holdings of vegetables, frozen and in brine, totalled 60 400 tonnes (52 688 in 1985).

Available on CANSIM: matrices 9537-9543.

Order the August 1986 issue of *Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables* (32-010, \$8/\$80), scheduled for release on September 12. Contact: Dave Burroughs, (613-990-8714), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division.

Publications Released

Field Crop Reporting Series, No. 6: August Forecast of Production of Principal Field Crops, Canada Catalogue number 22-002
(Canada: \$7/\$48; Other Countries: \$8/\$54)
Available today at 15:00 hrs.

The Dairy Review, June 1986 Catalogue number 23-001
(Canada: \$10/\$100; Other Countries: \$11/\$110)

Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products, July 1986 Catalogue number 32-022
(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Particleboard, Waferboard and Hardboard, May 1986 Catalogue number 36-003
(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Railway Carloadings, 7-day Period Ending August 14, 1986 Catalogue number 52-005
(Canada: \$75; Other Countries: \$100)

Department Store Sales and Stocks, April 1986 Catalogue number 63-002
(Canada: \$13/\$130; Other Countries: \$14/\$140)

New Motor Vehicle Sales, May 1986 Catalogue number 63-007
(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90)

Imports by Commodities, June 1986 Catalogue number 65-007
(Canada: \$50/\$500; Other Countries: \$60/\$600)

Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, Second Quarter 1986 Catalogue number 67-001P
(Canada: \$8/\$32; Other Countries: \$9/\$36)

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Major Release Dates: September 1986

(Release dates are subject to change)

Anticipated date(s) of release	Title	Reference period
September		
2	Housing Starts	July 1986
4-5	Financial Activity in Canada	Second Quarter 1986
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5	Labour Force Survey	August 1986
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